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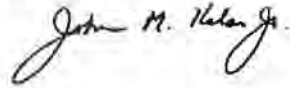
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☐ See additional information which follows.

Sincerely yours,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "John M. Kelso Jr.", written in black ink.

John M. Kelso Jr.  
Section Chief,  
Freedom of Information-  
Privacy Acts Section  
Office of Public and  
Congressional Affairs.

Enclosure(s)



FREEDOM OF INFORMATION  
AND  
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SUBJECT HAROLD W. TOTTEN

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## Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI

DATE: 9/3/59

FROM : SAC, LOS ANGELES (100-53044)

SUBJECT: HAROLD TOTTEN  
INFORMATION CONCERNING

Mr. Tolson	
Mr. Belmont	
Mr. DeLoach	
Mr. Mohr	
Mr. Parsons	
Mr. Rosen	
Mr. Tamm	
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Mr. Holloman	
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On 8/31/59 a letter was received from [redacted]

who was an informant of the FBI on Communist matters for approximately seven years from 1943 to 1950, submitting to this office a two page typewritten report on the above named individual which he stated that he had received from "an informant." [redacted] stated that he was not in a position to vouch for the integrity of his informant or to substantiate the information contained therein.

It should be noted that item number seven of the report of the informant [redacted] contains extremely slanderous information concerning the Director of the FBI.

The original informant's report has been returned to [redacted] in accordance with his request.

The indices of the Los Angeles Office are negative as to HAROLD TOTTEN, however, the indices contain information concerning a HAROLD WALLACE TOTTEN, Sr., Dallas file 100-796 of Sherman, Texas, who in 1958 was president of the Washington Iron Workers, Sherman, Texas, and had been identified as an active member of the National States Rights Party.

It is suggested that the Dallas Office, in the event the Bureau does not have full information concerning HAROLD TOTTEN, Sherman and Dennison, Texas, furnish the Bureau with his identity and any available information.

The Los Angeles Office will hold in abeyance any interview with [redacted] to determine the identity of his informant until and unless advised by the Bureau.

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1 - Belmont  
1 - Mr. Baumgardner  
1 - [redacted]

9-11-59

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To: SACs, Los Angeles (100-53044)  
Dallas

From: Director, FBI

HAROLD WALLACE TOTTEN  
INFORMATION CONCERNING  
(INTERNAL SECURITY)

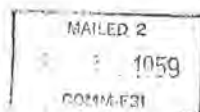
Re Los Angeles letter to the Bureau dated 9-3-59.

Los Angeles should immediately contact [redacted] and ascertain the identity of his informant and set out a lead to have him interviewed at once to determine the circumstances concerning the receipt of the derogatory information contained in his report attributed to Harold Totten. Results of the interview with [redacted] informant should be furnished the Bureau promptly in order that consideration may be given to contacting Totten.

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ENCLOSURE

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Harold Totten

General Manager and part owner of Washington Iron Works, Inc. Sherman, Texas  
alias J. Brinks, Ranch DesVoigne Road, Denison, Texas  
alias Mrs. Pearl, P.O. Box 28, Sherman, Texas  
and other aliases not known on account of perpetual change.

Harold Totten is a member of the NAACP under an alias

- 1) Acts as staunch patriot and actually is in touch and contact with every known patriotic individual, group, party, etc.
- 2) Keeps in his office a black binder containing about twenty letters of foremost patriots to him. The binder serves as his alibi for his outstanding patriotism and connections.
- 3) A bookstand behind his desk contains the complete Talmud, also many books of outstanding patriots. The setup serves as bait and front.
- 4) Prints "False" letterheads in any number and uses them with devilish relish to stir up trouble between patriots, communists, zionists, political parties, etc. throughout the nation.
- 5) Some of these jobs are done by the Frantz Printing Co. in Sherman, Texas, some by The Manney Co. Printers, 1041 Isbell Road, Fort Worth 14, Texas, and some by printing shops not known yet.
- 6) one of these trouble-making prints was a letter by a fictitious Foundation proving President Eisenhower's negro-blood. It is known that Manney in Fort Worth made the stencil, it is not known who delivered many thousands of prints. A Dallas Postal Inspector came to Sherman and interviewed Totten. He was on the right track but somehow made the mistake to believe Totten's evasive and confusing answer.
- 7) Takes visitors with patriotic background into confidence and discusses so-called secret knowledge with them, then turns around and says he heard it from them. It is known that he likes especially to discuss FBI Chief's book on communism with them and does not hesitate to say "I heard from a confidential source that Hoover is a home." He laughs like a maniac once he got the story over.
- 8) Reads all Jewish magazines and dailies, speaks always against them, but it is a known fact in Sherman and Denison that he even hates the Christians more and caused many of them unspeakable trouble.
- 9) Instructs his machinists to mail trouble-making correspondence when sending them to out-of-town jobs.
- 10) [redacted] suffers tremendously and can be a very valuable source of intimate information on Totten, who makes a fool out of her husband. Totten hates the little woman.
- 11) An [redacted] who likes to drink (which may be of value), could tell a lot.
- 12) Totten possesses in his Ranch in Denison, Texas, on the DesVoigne Road an arsenal of weapons, pistols and rifles, and large quantities of ammunition. They are hidden in every ranch building, especially the little bathhouse and the cellar, which is a solitary construction. Not all hiding places are known.
- 13) He had a machinist make gun-silencers in 1957 and it is believed that these are hidden in the little bathhouse or ranchhome itself. He was seen using them on his ranch in 1957 and 1958.
- 14) Prior to 1958 he sent dozens of specially illuminated balloons up and actually stirred up entire North Texas, Oklahoma and part of Louisiana with the so-called flying saucer scare. All newspapers of these territories carried the story.
- 15) He is the builder and only responsible man of all flaming crosses in Texas. Especially in 1956, 1957. Many were mentioned in the newspapers. He burned a cross before the home of Senator Sam Rayburn and one before the home of Senator Lyndon Johnson the latter with a plaque describing him (Sen. L.J.) as a friend of the B'nay Brith. He got the wood from the U.S. Perrin Airforce Field with the intention to blame the cadets of erecting all these crosses. Behind Totten's flaming cross spree was no such thing as patriotism, racism, etc. but only trouble-making and putting the blame on totally innocent people.
- 16) he prints for years innumeral anti-semitic, anti-government, and anti-everything

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stickers (labels) with the sole purpose to stir up trouble. He is diabolical and dangerous with regard to innocent people whom he allows to be blamed for his evil doings. Cases are known where such citizens didn't know the slightest thing about it, yet were blamed. Whenever danger of discovery of his wild doings existed, he found a way to absolute safety.

- 17) <sup>Texas</sup> [redacted] served him a number of time as advisor. It is known that [redacted] is an intimate friend of Sam Rayburn and that he has many citations from former President Truman. It is also known that everyone considers him a slight individual who will do anything for money.
- 18) Totten owns one third of the stock of the Washington Iron Works, Inc., the second third is owned by his 83 years old father (a very fine and honest man), and the third third is owned by his aunt. While he keeps his 83 old father, whom he calls an S.O.B. very short, he never paid one single cent to his aunt, but built himself a ranch home with the appearance of a Country Club at the DesVolgne Road in Denison, Texas (10 miles from Sherman).
- 19) <sup>Texas</sup> [redacted] and so efficient that no one, not even the tax inspectors ever found anything.
- 20) The Merchant and Planters National in Sherman where he has all of his accounts must know of his diabolical financial management.
- 21) His old father invented a so-called pin-machine (for grinding crankshafts of all sizes) which became the principle profitmaker of Washington Iron Works, Inc., yet he took it away from his father and formed a partnership agreement with his wife, and [redacted] Each receives one third of the proceeds earned through the pin-machine. Therefore, all profits, which are sizeable, vanish into his and [redacted] pockets.
- 22) [redacted] Innocent looking, but very intelligent and absolutely faithful to Harold Totten. [redacted]
- 23) Ranch neighbors in Denison on the DesVolgne Road may know a lot about Totten [redacted] and quite a perverted one of a married Dallas Zionist Jew. This fact is believed to be very important.
- 24) At one time the Merchant and Planters National Bank's Vice President informed about the ~~suicide~~ suicide of Totten's uncle (brother of his father) as a direct consequence of Harold Totten's devilish treatment of same and of his own father. The suicide's wife now holds one third of the stock and has never received one single cent. What made her silent, no one knows.
- 25) Totten always carries a gun. He never enters a car or pickup truck without his pistol in the front seat. In every place he sits down, whether his home in Sherman, his office, or any of the many ranch houses in Denison, there is a pistol next to him. He is positively a coward but driving to desperation assumed to be very dangerous.
- 26) All prominent Shermanites and citizens of Denison may know a lot more about Totten but fear him and are silent. Totten is very friendly towards any police force or FBI yet it is positively known that he hates them all.
- 27) Totten is absolutely unreliable to any patriotic statement and it is known that he destroys or tried to destroy all those patriots who confided in him, without exception. He is trickier than the devil himself, has the safest places of hiding one can think of and it is hard to find any of his printings and material without some inside information. He can smell police and FBI trouble a mile away and it is assumed that he must have somehow, somehow inside information.

## Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Mr. A. H. Belmont

ALL INFORMATION CONTAINED  
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DATE 2/26/01 BY 60321/UCB

DATE: September 10, 1959

FROM : Mr. F. J. Baumgardner

SUBJECT: HAROLD WALLACE TOTTEN  
INFORMATION CONCERNING  
(INTERNAL SECURITY)

DeLoach  
McGuire  
W.C. Sullivan  
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Los Angeles by letter dated 9-3-59 enclosed a copy of a two-page typewritten report furnished that office [redacted] former Bureau informant. [redacted] stated this report was received by him from "an informant" and that he was not in a position to vouch for the integrity of this informant or to substantiate the information contained therein. The material submitted is a report on Harold Totten, Sherman, Texas, which indicates Totten, who operates the Washington Iron Works at Sherman, is extremely anti-Semitic, anti-Negro and anti-Government and from the information contained in the report, there is indication Totten may be a mental case. Under item 7 of the report it is reported that Totten made an extremely derogatory remark about the Director.

Our files show that Totten is a known radical and is extremely anti-Semitic and anti-Negro. He has been identified as attending the National States Rights Party (NSRP) convention in Louisville, Kentucky, in 1958. The NSRP, which is the subject of a pending racial matters investigation, is purportedly a right-wing political party whose publication "The Thunderbolt" has been viciously critical of the Bureau and the Director. Totten is also known to have associated with [redacted] "Common Sense," a highly anti-Semitic publication, and to have been a heavy contributor to various anti-Semitic and anti-Negro causes.

[redacted] Sherman, Texas, advised Agents of our Dallas Office in 1956 she had known Totten for many years.

She stated Totten was not mentally well balanced, and it was her opinion he was losing his mind. She said he had attempted to indoctrinate her in his anti-Jewish beliefs and he had written anti-Semitic letters to editors of various newspapers under fictitious names. The Dallas Office recommended against interviewing Totten on 3-19-59 in connection with an investigation we were conducting pointing out the history of insanity in his family and that several individuals who knew him stated he was mentally unbalanced. He was, therefore, not interviewed.

Enclosure *sent 9-11-59*

- 1 - Mr. Belmont
- 1 - Mr. Baumgardner
- 1 - [redacted]

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Memorandum to Mr. Belmont  
RE: HAROLD WALLACE TOTTEN

RECOMMENDATION:

It is recommended that Los Angeles be instructed to contact  immediately to ascertain the identity of his informant and set out a lead to have this individual interviewed to determine the circumstances concerning the receipt of the derogatory information contained in his report on Totten and to advise the Bureau. Upon the receipt of this information if it is determined that Totten actually made the derogatory remarks attributed to him, we will issue instructions to have him contacted and properly admonished. If you agree, there is attached an airtel to Los Angeles, with copies to Dallas.

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## Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI

FROM : **WB** SAC, LOS ANGELES (100-53044)

DATE: 9/11/59

SUBJECT: **b7C**  
**b7D** HAROLD TOTTEN  
INFORMATION CONCERNING

Remylet dated 9/3/59 regarding above-named individual.

This is to advise that a letter was received from [redacted] on 9/10/59, in which he stated that he had received additional information from his informant regarding TOTTEN. [redacted] again reiterated that he could not vouch for the integrity of his informant or the authenticity of information furnished by him. The additional information is as follows:

TOTTEN carries a gun constantly, has caused financial and personal loss to one [redacted] is anti-semitic and anti-Christian. He is a coward, and according to one of the bank employees, is deeply in debt.

It may be that the Dallas Office may in accordance with recent Bureau instructions, desire to advise the proper law enforcement agencies of the allegation that TOTTEN is reported to constantly carry a gun.

This office has not made any contact with [redacted] in regard to this matter and will not do so until and unless so advised by the Bureau.

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- 2 - Los Angeles  
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Mr. Belmont \_\_\_\_\_  
Mr. DeLoach \_\_\_\_\_  
Mr. Mohr \_\_\_\_\_  
Mr. Parsons \_\_\_\_\_  
Mr. Rosen \_\_\_\_\_  
Mr. Tamm \_\_\_\_\_  
Mr. Trotter \_\_\_\_\_  
Mr. W.C. Sullivan \_\_\_\_\_  
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Mr. Holloman \_\_\_\_\_  
Miss Gandy \_\_\_\_\_

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To: SAC, Los Angeles

From: Director, FBI

HAROLD WALLACE TOTTEN  
INFORMATION CONCERNING  
(INTERNAL SECURITY)

ReBuairtel 9-11-59 instructing [ ] be  
contacted to ascertain the identity of his informant.

Advise status.

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## Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI

DATE: 9/14/59

FROM : SAC, DALLAS (105-817)

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DATE 2/26/01 BY SP2AKM/dj

SUBJECT:

CHANGED  
HAROLD WALLACE TOTTEN, SR.  
RACIAL MATTERS  
INFORMATION CONCERNING

Re Los Angeles letter to Bureau, 9/3/59.

Title of this case is changed to reflect TOTTEN's full  
name.

The Bureau is in possession of most of the information available to the Dallas Office re HAROLD WALLACE TOTTEN, SR. Background information on TOTTEN was furnished to the Bureau in the case entitled "JEWISH CULTURAL FEDERATION, IS-C," Bufile 100-421376, also in case entitled "UNSUB, Aka., FULTON, RACIAL MATTERS," Bufile 105-72237.

A letterhead memorandum dated 10/14/58, captioned "NATIONAL STATES RIGHTS PARTY," Bufile 105-66233, contains a more complete statement of TOTTEN's background.

The following additional information is contained in Dallas file:

HAROLD WALLACE TOTTEN was listed on the mailing list of the USSR Bulletin on 9/15/50 and on 12/11/52. The following is in reference to the information furnished by referenced Los Angeles letter:

TOTTEN is known to use the alias of MRS. EVA PEARL, P.O. Box 28, Sherman, Texas, in order to obtain periodicals from various Jewish organizations. P.O. Box 28 is listed to the Washington Iron Works.

Re Item 4, in referenced Los Angeles letter, Bureau's attention is called to the case entitled "JEWISH CULTURAL FEDERATION."

Re Paragraph 5. The Frantz Printing Company is headed by REUBEN FRANTZ of Sherman, Texas. The Manney Company is headed by E. E. MANNEY of Fort Worth, Texas.

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Re Paragraph 6. The fictitious foundation referred to in this paragraph is undoubtedly the Lizzie Stover College Fund, which concerns a pamphlet which was circulated in the Dallas-Fort Worth area which alleged that President EISENHOWER's mother was part Negro. This matter was investigated by the Secret Service in Dallas, Texas, and the Bureau was advised telephonically on 2/4/57.

Re Paragraph 9. The Bureau should note the information contained in the case entitled [redacted] RACIAL MATTERS," Bufile 157-62. It should be noted that [redacted] employee of TOTTEN.

Re Paragraph 10. [redacted] referred to in this paragraph [redacted] who is known to be a close associate of TOTTEN.

Re Paragraph 12. The Dallas Office is aware of the ranch which TOTTEN owns on Route 3, Denison, Texas. This ranch is located in a remote area and is completely surrounded by a fence. All of the buildings are set well back in a wooded area and observation from the road is impossible.

[redacted] Sherman, Texas, had previously advised of the existence of an alleged bomb shelter at this ranch, which contains food supplies.

Re Paragraph 15. It should be noted that a cross was burned in front of the house of SAM RAYBURN, Speaker of the House, U. S. Congress. This matter was reported to the Bureau under caption "BURNING OF FIERY CROSS, HOME OF SAM RAYBURN [redacted] U. S. HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, BONHAM, TEXAS, JULY 26, 1956." Bureau should refer to Dallas teletype to Bureau 7/27/56.

Re Paragraph 17. [redacted] referred to in this paragraph is known to be [redacted] HAROLD WALLACE TOTTEN and is identical with [redacted] subject of a Departmental applicant case, for U. S. Attorney, Eastern District of Texas. Bureau should refer to the report of SA [redacted] [redacted] dated 1/25/49, at Dallas, captioned [redacted]

[redacted]

Re Paragraph 19. [redacted] subject, is also known to be violently anti-Semitic.

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Re Paragraph 25. TOTTEN was reported by former [redacted] to have made the statement at a Citizens Council meeting, Dallas, Texas, that he carries a gun with him at all times.

In addition to the information contained in the letter-head memorandum captioned "NATIONAL STATES RIGHTS PARTY," 10/14/58, regarding TOTTEN, where it was pointed out that *nee TOTTEN* *Loc*

[redacted] it was further determined from [redacted] that TOTTEN's mother committed suicide when he was about 16, by slashing her throat.

The above is being furnished for the information of the Bureau and no further action will be taken without Bureau's instructions in this matter.

FBI

Date: 9/21/59

Transmit the following in \_\_\_\_\_  
(Type in plain text or code)Via AIRTEL AIRMAIL  
(Priority or Method of Mailing)

Mr. Tolson	
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Mr. DeLoach	
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Mr. Sullivan	
Mr. Tavel	
Mr. Trotter	
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Mr. Holloman	
Miss Gandy	

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (100-372409)  
 FROM: SAC, LOS ANGELES (100-53044)  
 SUBJECT: HAROLD TOTTEN  
 INFORMATION CONCERNING

ALL INFORMATION CONTAINED  
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 DATE 2/16/01 BY SP2-PJM/clj

For the information of the Denver Office, on 8/31/59 a letter was received from [redacted]

[redacted] who was an informant of the FBI on Communist matters from approximately 1943 to 1950, submitting to this office a two-page typewritten report concerning the above named individual, which [redacted] stated he had received from "an informant."

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 2 - Dallas  
 2 - Denver (Encl. 1)  
 2 - Los Angeles (1 - 105-6151)  
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Special Agent in Charge

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It was suggested that the Dallas Office should furnish Bureau with all available pertinent information concerning HAROLD TOTTON.

Bureau in airtel of 9/11/59 to Los Angeles and Dallas instructed that [ ] should be contacted immediately in order that the identity of the informant who submitted the report to which reference is made might be ascertained and the informant interviewed to determine the circumstances concerning the receipt of the derogatory information contained in his report attributed to HAROLD TOTTON. Bureau instructed that the results of the interview with [ ] informant should be furnished Bureau promptly in order that consideration may be given to contacting TOTTON.

Bureau by airtel of 9/18/59 inquired as to status of this matter and the interview with [ ] in order to establish the identity of his informant.

For the Bureau's information and that of interested offices, it was ascertained on 9/14/59 that [ ] was out of the city of Los Angeles and would not be available for interview until the morning of 9/21/59.

On 9/21/59 [ ] was interviewed by SAs [ ]. He stated that his informant or source who furnished the information concerning HAROLD TOTTON was one [ ] who is believed to live in a small town in the vicinity of Dallas, Texas. [ ] stated he met [ ] in 7/59 through [ ].

[ ] was born in Germany and is now a naturalized citizen, is believed to be married and to have a family. He is presently in Colorado Springs, Colo., where he is engaged in writing a book entitled [ ] and may be reached until sometime the first part of 10/59 through [ ] at the address listed above.

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[redacted] that he is an extremely wealthy man, and is one of the owners of the [redacted]. He stated that [redacted] has in the past been an ardent follower of GERALD L. K. SMITH and could be considered as an extreme "right winger."

The Dallas Office should make an appropriate check of indices on [redacted] and furnish any available information concerning him to the Denver Office in order that it may be used by Denver in conducting an interview of [redacted] concerning subject.

There is being enclosed herewith for the Denver Office a copy of [redacted] informant's report on HAROLD TOTTON, which will assist in properly interviewing [redacted] re the allegations which he made in his report concerning HAROLD TOTTON.

Dallas and Denver will give this matter expeditious attention in accordance with Bureau instructions.

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Date: 9/24/59

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (100-372409)

FROM: SAC, DALLAS (105-817)

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HEREIN IS UNCLASSIFIED  
DATE 2/26/01 BY SP7AMJ/djSUBJECT: HAROLD WALLACE TOTTEN  
INFORMATION CONCERNING  
(INTERNAL SECURITY)

Re Los Angeles Air-Tel to Bureau 9/21/59.

For information of San Antonio Office, on 8/31/59, a letter was received by the Los Angeles Office from [redacted], who was a former Bureau informant on Communist matters from approximately 1943 to 1950, submitting to the Los Angeles Office a 2-page typewritten report concerning the above captioned individual which [redacted] stated he received from "an informant." [redacted] stated he was not in a position to vouch for the integrity of his informant or to substantiate the information contained therein. It was noted in Item #7 of the informant's report, extremely slanderous information was set out concerning Director of the FBI.

The Bureau by Air-Tel of 9/11/59, instructed that [redacted] be contacted in order to determine the identity of his informant who submitted the report. Bureau instructed that results of interview with [redacted] informant should be furnished Bureau promptly in order that consideration may be given to contacting TOTTEN.

On 9/21/59, [redacted] advised Agents of the Los Angeles Office that his informant or source who furnished the information concerning TOTTEN was one [redacted] who is believed to live in a small town in the vicinity of Dallas, Texas. [redacted] stated

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that [ ] was born in Germany and is now a naturalized citizen. He is presently in Colorado Springs, Colorado, where he is engaged in writing a book entitled [ ]. [ ] Dallas Office was requested to check indices on [ ] and furnish any available information concerning him to the Denver Office in order that it might be used by Denver in conducting interview of [ ] concerning the subject.

Dallas Office indices reflect that a [ ] possibly identical with this individual, was the subject of an espionage case entitled [ ] WA., ESPIONAGE," San Antonio - OO. The Bureau and San Antonio should refer to the reports of SA [ ] dated Dallas, 10/3/40, and SA [ ] Houston, 11/25/40. Dallas file contains little or no information regarding this case.

San Antonio is requested to furnish full background on [ ] to Denver.

Records, Dallas Retail Merchants Credit Association, and telephone directories for Dallas, Fort Worth, McKinney, Denton, Sherman and Denison, Texas negative on [ ]

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SAC, Denver (100-8400)

September 30, 1959

Director, FBI (100-431876)

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HAROLD WALLACE TOTTON  
 INFORMATION CONCERNING  
 (INTERNAL SECURITY)

Re Denver airtel September 26, 1959.

For the information of the Denver Office

[redacted] in Wuerzburg, Bavaria, Germany, was from 1939 to 1941 the subject of "Subversive Activities" and "Espionage - G" investigations, San Antonio, office of origin. He was arrested on a Presidential Warrant as an enemy alien on December 9, 1941, and interned. He was repatriated to Germany on the SS "Gripsholm" which departed from Jersey City, New Jersey, on January 7, 1945. The Bureau file on [redacted] does not reveal his return to the United States or his naturalization; however, Immigration and Naturalization Service (INS), San Antonio Office, requested a name check on him. A Bureau memorandum dated July 24, 1952, captioned [redacted] A - [redacted] B - [redacted] in Germany," was forwarded to INS, San Antonio, Texas, advising that investigative reports on this individual had previously been furnished that agency.

The attention of the San Antonio Office is directed to page six of reairtel indicating that [redacted] advised of his naturalization in 1953. The San Antonio Office should check with INS to determine if [redacted] is legally or illegally in the United States and has, in fact, become a naturalized citizen of this country. This information should be furnished the Bureau for the completion of its files under the caption [redacted] Information Concerning (Internal Security)," Bufile 65-5751.

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## Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Mr. A. H. Belmont

DATE: September 29, 1959

FROM : Mr. F. J. Baumgardner

SUBJECT: HAROLD WALLACE TOTTEN  
INFORMATION CONCERNING  
(INTERNAL SECURITY)ALL INFORMATION CONTAINED  
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DATE 3/26/01 BY 60222/MLJTolson \_\_\_\_\_  
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Los Angeles, by letter dated 9-3-59, enclosed a typewritten report furnished it by [redacted] former Bureau informant. This report had been furnished [redacted] by "an informant" of his and he could not vouch for his informant's integrity. The report related to Harold Totten, Sherman, Texas, describing him as anti-Semitic, anti-Negro and anti-Government and from information in the report there is an indication Totten may be a mental case. One item in the report indicated Totten had made an extremely derogatory remark about the Director.

My memorandum 9-10-59 advised our files showed that Totten is a known radical; is considered not mentally well balanced; and, in connection with at least one other investigation, was not interviewed by Bureau Agents because of his alleged mental condition. It was recommended and approved that we identify [redacted] informant, interview him and if Totten actually made the remark, interview Totten and admonish him.

[redacted] informant was identified as [redacted], former associate of Totten, but now in Colorado. Denver airtel 9-26-59 reported complete interview with [redacted]. He described Totten as a man who "stirs up trouble" and as one who could well be "a mad man." Totten is allegedly always armed or has a revolver in close proximity. Totten allegedly subscribes to a magazine published by homosexuals. [redacted] stated that Totten made the derogatory statement about the Director in his presence as well as in the presence of at least two other individuals. Denver set out leads to have these persons interviewed. Since we have definitely established that the statement originated with Totten, it does not appear anything would be gained by conducting further interviews in this matter. We will go directly to Totten and straighten him out.

Enclosure *2-29-69*

- 1 - Mr. Belmont
- 1 - Mr. Baumgardner
- 1 - [redacted]

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Memorandum to Mr. Belmont  
RE: HAROLD WALLACE TOTTEN

RECOMMENDATION:

It is recommended that Dallas Office be instructed not to interview the two additional witnesses, but to have two mature and experienced Agents promptly contact Totten, request him to furnish the source of his allegation against the Director and, thereafter, severely and emphatically admonish Totten against repeating such an erroneous statement in the future. The Agents will be instructed to take appropriate precautions in view of the allegations that Totten is armed and possibly mentally unbalanced.

Attached for your approval is a suggested teletype to the Dallas Office. Teletype necessary to prevent Dallas from conducting unnecessary interviews.

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Date: 9/26/59

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To: DIRECTOR, FBI (100-372409)

From: SAC, DENVER (100-8400)

HAROLD TOTTEN  
INFORMATION CONCERNING

Re Los Angeles airtel to Bureau dated 9/21/59.

On 9/25/59, Mrs. ROBERT DONNER, 50 Marland Road, Colorado Springs, Colo., advised SA [redacted] that her husband is presently out of town, in Philadelphia, Pa. She advised that [redacted] from East Bernard, Texas, [redacted] house guest at her home from approximately June to the last of August, 1959, when she arranged to have him move to make room for some relatives. She said he allegedly has been helping her husband translate some German books and allegedly is writing a book on currency. Mrs. DONNER expressed a keen dislike for [redacted] stating she thought he was trying to "take" her husband financially. She said her husband had arranged to finance [redacted] and another associate [redacted] from New York City, N.Y., in a short trip to Europe. She said that trip was allegedly for research in connection with the book on currency they are allegedly writing. She said that [redacted] is a rude man and she advised she learned that he has a wife and three children living in East Bernard. Further, that he exerts a strong influence on her husband; tells him what to eat, advises him on all his small personal matters.

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She said she does not trust him and feels that she does not know his true purpose in coming to Colorado Springs. She said [ ] presently suing her husband in U. S. District Court, Denver, Colo. She said she does not know the reason for the litigation.

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[ ] on 9/25/59, advised SA's [ ] Mr. DONNER's office and has been at Colorado Springs for about eight weeks. She said he has been handling Mr. DONNER's affairs for him, particularly his correspondence. She advised that she understood he had completed a book concerning money or currency, possibly not written under the name [ ] which he has sent to an unknown party for review prior to submission to a publisher. She said that presently he is helping to answer Mr. DONNER's correspondence.

It is to be noted that ROBERT DONNER is an extremely wealthy individual at Colorado Springs who is a self-styled "patriot" who has in the past been a prolific correspondent with the Bureau, advising from time to time of individuals whom he considers subversive. DONNER maintains files on persons whom he considers subversive. He has in the past corresponded extensively with persons whom he considers to have the same political views as his own. He professes to be anti-Communist and anti-Fascist. In the past he has been in contact with persons who appear to be extremely anti-Semitic. Mr. DONNER is in his late sixties or early seventies and appears to be in poor health. ✓

[ ] was interviewed by SA's [ ] [ ] office on 9/25/59. He advised that HAROLD TOTTEN is the owner of the Washington Iron Works, Sherman, Texas. He said that actually TOTTEN's 80-year-old father is the founder of the business but that HAROLD TOTTEN operates it. He commented that TOTTEN cheats his own father and gives him barely enough money on which to live.

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[redacted] advised he associated with TOTTEN for about two years [redacted]

[redacted] He said he disassociated himself with TOTTEN about November, 1958. He said that he, in all, saw TOTTEN perhaps 45 or 50 times during that period of time. He commented that TOTTEN poses as a "staunch patriot" and is outwardly anti-Semitic. He said he had seen printed "throw-aways" and "stickers" which had been printed for TOTTEN by Frantz Printing Co., Sherman, Texas, and Manney Co., 1041 Isbell Rd., Ft. Worth, Texas, which were extremely anti-Semitic. He advised TOTTEN had his employees sometimes post these on the Jewish-operated business establishments which they might contact. He said, however, he believes that TOTTEN, in his outspoken feelings towards the Jews, is actually camouflaging his true feelings which he believes to be very much pro-Jewish. He said he believes TOTTEN feeds information to the Anti-Defamation League but could not cite any examples to support his contention. He said, however, that one instance of his true character, in reference to Jewry, was that he openly backed former Admiral of the U. S. Navy, (FNU) CROMMELIN, who ran for Governor of the State of Alabama, and who allegedly, according to [redacted] is a personal friend [redacted] published in Union, New Jersey. He said that although TOTTEN claimed to "back" CROMMELIN, he actually spread rumors and gossip to the effect that CROMMELIN [redacted] were "agents" of the Anti-Defamation League.

[redacted] said that TOTTEN appears to be a man who "stirs up trouble" and pointed out that he was responsible for burning crosses around Sherman, Texas, "just to stir people up." He also said that TOTTEN launched, from his ranch, five miles east and south of Dennison, Texas, flying saucers. He said he didn't know why, but he assumed it was just to "stir people up." He said that TOTTEN could very well be "a mad man." He said TOTTEN is always armed; that he carries a revolver in his car and always has one on his desk in his office and at his home in close proximity to him.

TOTTEN, according to [redacted] owes quite a bit of money and allegedly [redacted]



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[redacted] knows about [redacted] personal affairs and perhaps could furnish a great deal of information concerning TOTTEN's background and, conceivably, might know something about the alleged remarks passed by TOTTEN concerning the Director. [redacted] according [redacted] knows all of TOTTEN's associates and might know others who could have heard TOTTEN's comments about the Director.

[redacted] claims that TOTTEN owes him money on commissions in connection with [redacted] but [redacted] says he had no access to TOTTEN's books and had no written contracts with him, all of them being oral in nature.

[redacted] said that one of TOTTEN's close associates is [redacted] of Sherman, Texas, who is associated with him in business. He said that [redacted] actually disapproves of [redacted] association with TOTTEN. [redacted] once painted the scene depicting "The Last Supper," and TOTTEN, according to [redacted] told [redacted] shouldn't allow his wife "to paint such stuff." [redacted] said TOTTEN is not only anti-Jewish but anti-Christian.

[redacted] advised further that TOTTEN subscribes to a magazine published by homosexuals. The name of the magazine could not be recalled by [redacted] He said he has no information indicating whether TOTTEN, himself, is or is not a homosexual, but said he suspected TOTTEN of having an improper relationship [redacted]

[redacted] advised that TOTTEN is visited from time to time by persons whom TOTTEN considers "staunch patriots." He said TOTTEN lures them into conversations about the Director's book "Masters of Deceit" and then comments that "he has heard" that "HOOVER is a homo." [redacted] said that TOTTEN made the statement to him and also to [redacted] that "he had heard that HOOVER is a homo;" however, he claimed TOTTEN never disclosed the source of his information. [redacted] was unable to furnish the names of any of these alleged "staunch patriot" acquaintances of TOTTEN but said there were a lot of them in the Sherman area.



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[ ] expressed the opinion that TOTTEN would probably never admit having made such a statement about the Director but he said that anyone who might be introduced to TOTTEN as a "staunch patriot" would probably be able to elicit the information from him under suitable pretext.

[ ] during the interview, volubly furnished the following information about himself:

He advised he is [ ] and was born in Wurtzburg, Germany. He claimed to be an economist and advised he had studied at University of Berlin, Barcelona, Spain, and in South America. He advised that during World War II he was employed by I. G. FARBEN in Central and South America as an economist. He said that at one time in 1934, the Mexican Commissioner of Police had requested [ ] the loan of one of their German employees to be used for the purpose of instructing the Mexican Government in how to set up a highway patrol. He said that at this time, in connection with a study of highway patrols, he went on a three-month tour of the United States and met his present wife in San Antonio, Texas, and also allegedly met [ ]

[ ] He claimed to have demonstrated the shooting of a Thompson sub-machine gun for the Texas Highway Patrol with [ ] having been present and very much impressed with [ ] ability, although he claimed never to have handled the weapon prior thereto. He admittedly had been taught to fire a light German machinegun while in Germany.

Later, according to [ ] he returned to Bavaria with his wife, where he was interviewed by U. S. Army CIC agents and then eventually was given the job of [ ]

[ ] He said he came into disrepute later in this position when he was asked by the Minister President of Bavaria to formulate a new currency inasmuch as the old currency was the HITLER administration Mark. He said he formulated a plan whereby he recommended a currency based on a two billion gold reserve. The assets of Bavaria at the time, he said, were seven billion in gold. He said he was criticized by three "Jews" who claimed they were from the

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Comptroller's Office and working under a high-ranking American General. He claimed he was under house arrest for three months after this and was brought before a denazification board where he was accused of being a Nazi. He claimed he was able to prove that he had a cousin who had the same name as his own, who was a Nazi, but who at the time of the hearing was a prisoner of the Russians. He claimed too that the alleged cousin was much younger than he and that he had never met this cousin. He claimed he was exonerated and in 1950, came to the U.S. because his wife (who was from San Antonio) could not stand the climate of Bavaria and wanted to return to Texas. He said he was able to secure a passport through proper channels and came to the U.S. in 1950, arriving at Houston, Texas. He said he was naturalized as a U.S. citizen in 1953. He said he established a home in East Bernard, Texas, and advised his home is worth approximately \$30,000.

[redacted] was asked specifically whether or not he had ever been an agent of the German Government during World War II and he denied that he had.

Concerning his association with DONNER, he advised he met him through TOTEN about two years ago. He said DONNER had a financial interest in the Washington Iron Works and apparently considered TOTEN to be in the nature of a "staunch patriotic" friend. He advised he considered DONNER to be a man who was sincere and patriotic and extremely "rightist in political thought." He was asked to explain the term "rightist" and said the term applied to anyone who was pro-American; who believed in the U. S. Constitution; was anti-Communist, "which necessarily implied being somewhat anti-Jewish since so many Jews are involved in Communism," and anti-Fascist. [redacted] said he was trying to get DONNER away from all of his political-type activity and thinking and was trying to get him interested in a motor which he said was to be operated on the principle of "implosion" rather than "explosion." He said it operated on a centripetal rather than a centrifugal principle of force. He advised the motor is revolutionary and its power is so phenomenal that it can "cause a tornado in a water glass."

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[ ] the motor invention is so extraordinary that he has kept it completely confidential and only he and DONNER know the invention is here. He said he was furnishing this information to Agents on a confidential basis.

He said there is a man in New York who is presently suing ROBERT DONNER. He said the man is a former friend of DONNER whom TOTTEN has prejudiced against DONNER. He did not identify this individual in New York but indicated the suit was over the invention.

[ ] was asked whether or not he had translated any German books for DONNER and he said he had not. He said he was answering some of DONNER's routine correspondence but was chiefly devoting his time to the motor invention. He pulled out a file drawer which contained a number of folders and said, "you see the invention is right here."

[ ] said he was aware of the Bureau's source of information in this case, he thought, but Agents, during the interview with him, did not mention the name [ ]

[ ] said he believed he would be at Colorado Springs if further interview necessary, and available through DONNER's office for perhaps one year. He said he would maintain his home, however, at East Bernard, Texas.

IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT THE BUREAU SEARCH INDICES ON

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[ ] has the following general description:

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Weight:  
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DALLAS, at Sherman, Texas, will locate and interview

concerning his knowledge of the background and associates of HAROLD TOTTEN, and will discreetly ascertain whether he knows of any derogatory remarks made by TOTTEN concerning the Director.

Will identify and interview  alleged associate of TOTTEN.

Enclosed for Dallas is a photostat of   
report

CAUTION - INFORMATION RECEIVED THAT HAROLD TOTTEN IS CONSTANTLY ARMED AND KEEPS A GUN ON HIS DESK AND IN HIS CAR AND HOME AND INFORMATION ALSO RECEIVED THAT TOTTEN MAY BE MENTALLY UNBALANCED.

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1 - Mr. Belmont  
1 - Mr. Baumgardner

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TOTTEN SHOULD BE REQUESTED TO FURNISH SOURCE OF HIS  
ALLEGATION AND SHOULD BE EMPHATICALLY AND SEVERELY ADMONISHED  
CONCERNING FUTURE REPETITIONS OF SUCH ERRONEOUS STATEMENT. THIS  
INTERVIEW MUST BE CONDUCTED BY TWO MATURE AND EXPERIENCED AGENTS.  
YOU ARE CAUTIONED THAT TOTTEN IS ALLEGEDLY MENTALLY UNSTABLE  
AND IS ALLEGED TO BE CURRENTLY ARMED, AND, THEREFORE, AGENTS  
SHOULD TAKE APPROPRIATE PRECAUTIONS. ADVISE BUREAU PROMPTLY  
RESULTS OF THIS INTERVIEW. COPIES MAILED SAN ANTONIO AND  
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Re Dallas airtel to the Bureau dated 9/24/59.

San Antonio file 61-38 entitled [redacted]  
 with alias [redacted] INTERNAL SECURITY - GERMAN"  
 reflects information furnished by INS on 9/15/41 that  
 [redacted] in Wurtzburg, Germany.  
 At that time he was 5'11" tall, weighed 165 lbs, had  
 dark blond hair and blue eyes. [redacted] came to  
 the United States from Mexico on 7/15/39 entering the  
 United States at Laredo, Texas.

The file further indicates that [redacted]  
 was very pro-German prior to and during the war and  
 on 2/3/42 was ordered interned for the duration by  
 the Attorney General. [redacted] married a woman  
 named [redacted] an American born citizen, in 1938.

On 8/16/50 an official of the Immigration  
 and Naturalization Service advised that [redacted]  
 was re-patriated to Germany on 1/7/45, and was sub-  
 sequently permitted to re-enter the U. S. inasmuch as  
 his wife is an American citizen. He was re-admitted  
 to the U. S. as a non-quota immigrant.

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No active investigation of [redacted]  
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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (100-372409)

FROM: SAC, DALLAS (105-817)

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Re Bureau tel 9/29/59. ||

TOTTEN was interviewed in his private office at the plant of the Washington Iron Works, Inc., Sherman, Texas, on 9/30/59, by SAs [redacted]. He was told reports had been received by the FBI alleging that he had made certain scurrilous and untrue statements which impugned the reputation and character of DIRECTOR HOOVER of the FBI, and he was being interviewed for the purpose of obtaining his comments as to whether he had ever made the statements and if so, the source of his information.

TOTTEN said he "had heard" certain things about DIRECTOR HOOVER, namely, that he was possibly a homosexual, but he definitely did not place any credence in such reflections on MR. HOOVER and had never repeated such statements to others.

TOTTEN was asked whether he had ever said to others what he had just said to the Agents; i.e., that he "had heard" the derogatory remarks concerning MR. HOOVER, and he said to his recollection he never had. He said he had no desire to damage the character of the DIRECTOR and thought he was doing a good job "within the limitations placed on him in his work."

Although pressed on several occasions throughout the interview for the identity of the individual from whom he claimed to have heard the statement concerning the DIRECTOR, TOTTEN emphatically refused to reveal this information. He did volunteer

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*Memo Baumgardner*  
*to Belmont*  
*10-8-59*  
*RDS/PW 100-431872-10*

10 - DeLoach  
Approved: *[Signature]*  
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however, that it was several years ago and that the party involved, in his opinion, was both unreliable and untrustworthy, and that he did not believe anything he learned from him and especially did not believe anything so "ridiculous" as the statement concerning MR. HOOVER which was the basis for the current interview.

TOTTEN was told that the statements here involved were, of course, without any foundation whatever in fact, as he well knew, and that it must be understood by him that neither the DIRECTOR nor anyone connected with the Bureau would allow any such insinuations to go unchallenged, either now or in the future, and that he should govern himself accordingly.

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## Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Mr. A. H. Belmont

FROM : Mr. F. J. Baumgardner

SUBJECT: HAROLD WALLACE TOTTEN  
INFORMATION CONCERNING  
(INTERNAL SECURITY)

DATE: October 8, 1959

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Los Angeles by letter 9-3-59 enclosed a typewritten report furnished by [redacted] former Bureau informant. This report had been furnished [redacted] by "an informant" of his and he could not vouch for its authenticity. The report related to Harold Totten, Sherman, Texas, describing him as anti-Semitic, anti-Negro and anti-Government and indicated he may be a mental case. One item in the report indicated Totten had made an extremely derogatory remark about the Director.

My memorandum 9-10-59 advised our files showed that Totten is a known radical, considered to be not mentally well balanced, and in connection with at least one other investigation was not contacted by Agents because of his alleged mental condition. Upon recontacting [redacted] he identified his informant as one [redacted]. My memorandum 9-29-59 set forth results of interview with [redacted] a former associate of Totten who described Totten as a man who "stirs up trouble" and as one who could well be "a mad man." He stated Totten made the derogatory statement about the Director in his presence. It was recommended and approved that we direct Dallas Office interview Totten.

Dallas airtel 9-30-59 (attached) sets forth interview with Totten. Totten claims he "had heard" derogatory statement about Director, did not place any credence in the statement and definitely had not repeated such statement. Although pressed for the identity of the individual from whom he claimed to have heard the statement, Totten refused to reveal this information. He volunteered, however, that it was several years ago and the individual in his opinion was unreliable and untrustworthy. Totten was told by the interviewing Agents that the statement was, of course, without foundation and that he must understand that the Director and anyone connected with the Bureau would not allow such a derogatory statement or insinuation to go unchallenged either now or in the future and he should govern himself accordingly.

RECOMMENDATION:

In view of allegation that Totten is a troublemaker, is mentally unbalanced and since he has been severely admonished for making this statement although he denies making the statement, it is recommended that no further action be taken concerning this matter.

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# Memorandum

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (100-372499)  
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DATE: 5/3/60  
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FROM : SAC, DALLAS (105-817)

SUBJECT: HAROLD WALLACE TOTTEN, SR.  
INFORMATION CONCERNING  
(INTERNAL SECURITY)

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Re Dallas airtel to Bureau, 9/30/59.

On 4/25/60 [redacted] and

[redacted] Sherman, Texas, advised SA [redacted]

[redacted] HAROLD WALLACE TOTTEN and [redacted]

[redacted] applied, on 4/20/60, for U. S. Passports for the purpose of visiting the U.S.S.R. Date of departure was listed as approximately 7/1/60, from New York City, traveling via Air, ~~Is~~-Tourist, furnishing guide chauffeur and translator. *Russian N.Y.*

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### WASHINGTON FIELD

At Washington, D. C.:

Contact U. S. Passport Office, Department of State, and obtain copies of photographs of HAROLD TOTTEN [redacted]

The above is being furnished for the information of the Bureau, and no further action will be taken unless so advised.

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TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (100-431876)

DATE: 6/30/60

FROM : SAC, WFO (62-8227)

SUBJECT: HAROLD WALLACE TOTTEN, SR.  
INFORMATION CONCERNING  
(INTERNAL SECURITY)  
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Enclosed herewith to the Bureau are five copies of a letterhead memo dated as above in the captioned matter. Two copies of this memo are designated for Dallas.

This memorandum represents investigation by SA [redacted] on 6/21/60 and constitutes a summary of all pertinent information in the passport files concerning subject [redacted]

Also enclosed herewith to Dallas are copies of the photographs of subject [redacted]

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE  
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

WASHINGTON 25, D. C.

June 30, 1960

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HAROLD WALLACE TOTTEN, SR.

The files of the Passport Office, Department of State, reviewed by a Special Agent of the Federal Bureau of Investigation on June 21, 1960, disclose that Harold Wallace Totten was issued passport 2189561 at Washington, D. C., on April 29, 1960, for proposed two weeks' travel to the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics (USSR) for the purpose of business. In his application dated April 20, 1960, at Sherman, Texas, he stated his intention to depart from New York, New York, about July 1, 1960, by air, name of airline not yet known. He indicated that he was traveling by organized tour. This passport was valid for three years' travel to all countries except Albania and those portions of China, Korea and Viet-Nam under communist control.

This individual stated that he was born on February 4, 1900, at Sherman, Texas, and his file reflects that his birth certificate has been seen by passport authorities. He gave his permanent residence as 204 West Texas Street, Sherman, Texas. He listed his father as Harry L. Totten, born at Sherman, Texas, on October 11, 1877, and residing at the time of the application at 101 South Grand, Sherman, Texas. He listed his mother as Herda Hyde Totten, born in Texas and now deceased. He stated that he was last married on November 15, 1921. [redacted] and [redacted]

residing with him, marriage not terminated.

Totten furnished the following description on the application:

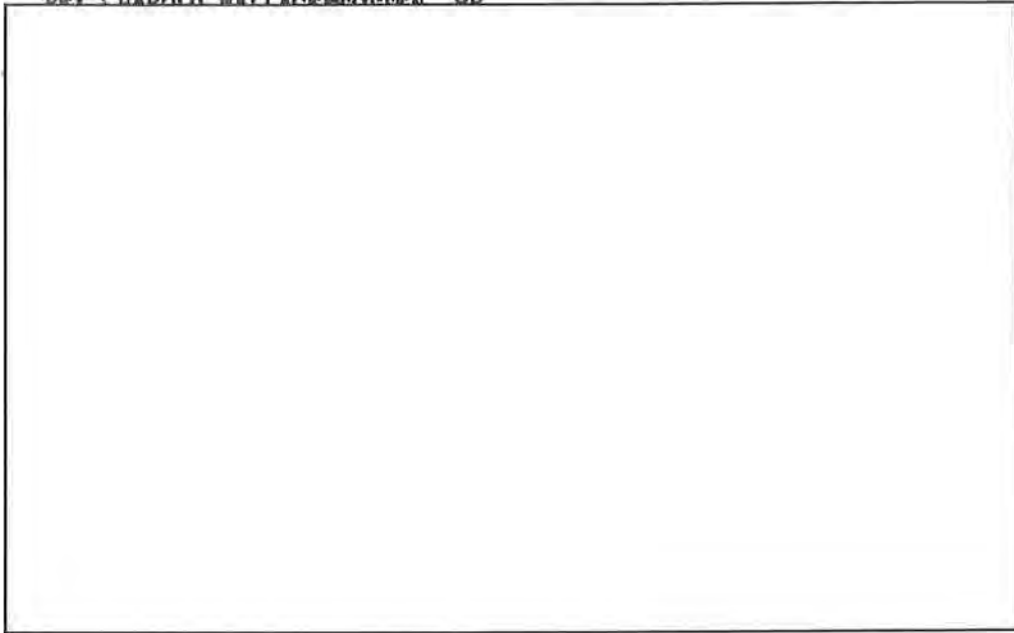
Height:	Six feet
Hair:	Dark brown
Eyes:	Brown
Marks:	Mole on chin
Occupation:	Industrial Executive

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<u>I</u>	<u>100-421326-</u>	<u>19;</u> ✓
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<u>PI</u>	<u>100-423395-</u>	<u>638 p19</u> ✓
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Subject WASHINGTON IRON WORKS, INC.  
 Birthdate & Place \_\_\_\_\_  
 Address Sherman, Texas

Localities \_\_\_\_\_

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You are instructed to institute an investigation of the subject to determine if his activities are inimical to the best interests of the U. S.

Submit results of your investigation in a form suitable for dissemination along with your recommendation as to any further investigation warranted.

A review of Bufiles concerning the subject indicates your office is in possession of all pertinent material relating to him.

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The title of this case has been changed to reflect subject's correct name as HAROLD WALLACE TOTTEN, SR., and to add J. Brinks and Mrs. Pearl as additional names which subject has used. The title previously has been carried as, "HAROLD WALLACE TOTTEN," and as, "H. W. TOTTEN."

REFERENCE: Bureau letter to Dallas dated 1/14/64.

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## WASHINGTON FIELD OFFICE

## AT WASHINGTON, D. C.

Will refer to Washington Field Office letter to the Bureau 6/30/60 and again check with Passport Office, State Department for any travel data available concerning subject TOTTEN subsequent to that previously included in Washington Field Office's letterhead memorandum dated 6/30/60. Also,

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obtain any travel data available concerning [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] TOTTEN.

DALLAS OFFICE

AT SHERMAN, TEXAS

Will through established sources and any available informants develop data concerning subject's current residence, employment and other activities [REDACTED]

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INFORMANTS

<u>Source</u>	<u>File number where located</u>
Dallas [REDACTED]	105-817-24, 25
[REDACTED] (S)	105-1642-9, 10 and 11
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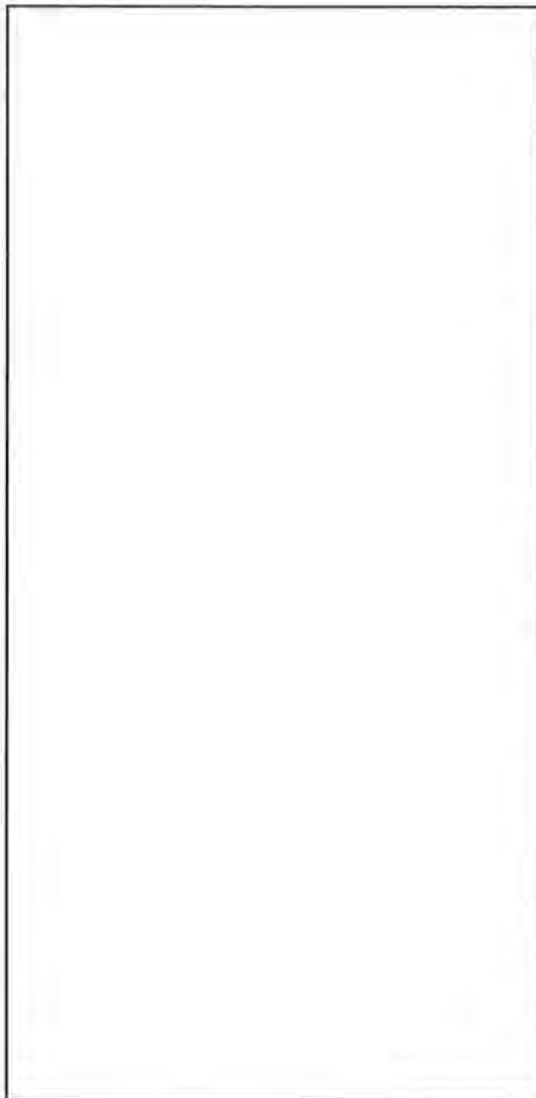
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105-836-3, page 10

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Instant report page 17  
(Oral, SA [redacted])

Confidential informants familiar with some Communist Party (CP) activities in Texas contacted in March, 1964, referred to on page 4 of instant report are identified as follows:

[redacted] contacted by SA [redacted] on 3/16/64;

[redacted] contacted by SA [redacted] on 3/5/64;

[redacted] contacted by SA [redacted] on 3/9/64.

ADMINISTRATIVE DATA

Instant report is classified Secret because data attributed to Dallas [redacted]

[redacted] Department of Justice, Department of State, Departments of Army, Navy, and Air Force, and the Bureau of International Commerce. (S)

A check of records of MRCA, Sherman, Texas, reflected in instant report, was obtained on the dates indicated by agents as follows:

[redacted] 9/11/63, SA [redacted]  
[redacted] (Dallas file 105-1642-5,7); and on November 19, 1958  
by SA [redacted]

Interviews with [redacted] and [redacted]  
[redacted] both Sherman, Texas (100-9621-1,2), June 1954 and  
with [redacted] Sherman, in January, 1956  
(100-9320-150) were by SA [redacted]

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Interview with [redacted] Brownwood, Texas,  
August 8, 1958, was by SA [redacted] (100-0-5624).

Interviews with [redacted]  
[redacted] Sherman,  
Texas, on February 7, 1956 and in 1960 were by SA [redacted]  
[redacted] (105-569-15, pages 1 and 2). Information attributed to her  
on June 12, 1959 was furnished by her in a letter to the Dallas  
Office (105-817-5).

Interview with [redacted] on January 27, 1964 was by  
SA [redacted]

Interview with [redacted] on January 27,  
1964 was by SA [redacted]

Information attributed to [redacted] Los Angeles,  
was previously reported in Los Angeles letter to the Bureau  
September 3, 1959 and Los Angeles airtel to the Bureau September  
21, 1959, Bufile 100-372409.

[redacted] quoted in instant report. is  
identical with subject of the case, [redacted] with  
aliases, ESPIONAGE," San Antonio office of origin, (1940  
Investigation) (Dallas files 61-40 and 105-817-19).

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HAROLD WALLACE TOTTEN, SR.

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Synopsis:

aka., [redacted] Washington Iron Works, Sherman, Texas, over which HAROLD WALLACE TOTTEN, SR. is manager and part owner. [redacted] 1963 received by mail, "Peking Review," a Chinese Communist publication. TOTTEN, between 1954 and 1963, according to several individuals, was engaged in anti-Semitic activities and during portions of that period had association with representatives of the National States Rights Party (NSRP), Christian Educational Association, Union, New Jersey, and contributed to National Renaissance Party (NRP). TOTTEN [redacted] [redacted] were on 4/29/60 issued passports for two weeks travel to the Soviet Union, business being listed as purpose for travel.

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Dallas [redacted]

(S) [redacted] *Approved 9/19*  
Records of the Merchants Retail Credit Association  
in Sherman, Texas in March, 1960 reflected [redacted]  
also known [redacted] then was 41 years of age, re-  
sided [redacted] and since July  
1950 had [redacted]

[redacted] He formerly resided at  
Tyler, Texas and Denison, Texas. Records of that credit  
agency on September 11, 1963 reflected [redacted]  
then was 44 years of age and resided at *Approved 19/16*  
[redacted] He then was employed as [redacted]  
[redacted] previously  
was self-employed in a business known as [redacted]  
[redacted]

Dallas [redacted] on September 26, 1963 advised [redacted]

[redacted] Sherman,  
Texas, which company was then owned by the TOTTON family,  
its manager being HAROLD TOTTON. Informant said TOTTON and  
[redacted] had the reputation of being "extreme political  
conservatives." He had no information they belonged to any  
organization.

Dallas [redacted] on September 26, 1963 reported that  
Chinese publications occasionally came by mail [redacted]  
[redacted] Sherman, Texas and that [redacted]  
in the past received a Russian magazine by mail which maga-  
zine was similar to that in America known as Life. Inform-  
ant presumed [redacted] this material out of curiosity  
and for study as informant had no information indicating  
[redacted] sympathetic with communism.

Dallas [redacted] in July, 1963 furnished information

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that "Peking Review" had recently been received by individuals throughout the United States and [redacted] Sherman, Texas was one who had received same. Informant advised "Peking Review" is a pro Chinese Communist magazine published in the English language at Peking, China.

Dallas [redacted] in August, 1963 advised that [redacted] had been contacted by a representative of [redacted] exporters and importers of books and periodicals in Peking, China. [redacted] in accordance with instructions from [redacted] forwarded to him a copy of "Peking Review" with a request he recommend this magazine to acquaintances in the United States who may be interested in subscribing to it.

Dallas [redacted] in 1950 furnished information that H. W. TOTTEN, Box 28, Sherman, Texas was, as of September 1950, on a mailing list of persons receiving the, "USSR Information Bulletin," published by the Soviet Embassy, Washington, D. C. and that his subscription would expire on May 8, 1951. Informant had no information indicating whether TOTTEN himself subscribed or whether someone else caused this publication to be sent to him.

Confidential informants familiar with some Communist Party activities in Texas in March, 1964 advised HAROLD WALLACE TOTTEN [redacted] Sherman, Texas, are unknown to them, and they have no information indicating these two persons have ever engaged in Communist Party activities.

[redacted] Sherman, Texas, in June, 1954 reported that he had in his possession several items of anti-communist and anti-Semitic literature which as of June 7, 1954, had been turned over to him by [redacted] Sherman, Texas.

[redacted] Sherman, Texas in June, 1954 stated he and his wife visited [redacted] unmarried woman then about 35 years of age, [redacted] Washington Iron Works, Sherman, Texas. During their visit at her home, he commented about two books which he saw on a table, "World Hoax," and "Iron Curtain Over America." She answered his comments by

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talking extensively about her fight against communism. She expressed anti-Semitic views claiming Jews are running the United States Government and claimed they control the communists of Russia. She told him she became interested in world affairs [redacted] HAROLD TOTTEN, owner of Washington Iron Works, Sherman. She commented that the only persons who could be trusted in the United States Government were J. EDGAR HOOVER, Senator McCARTHY and General MAC ARTHUR. Her residence was given [redacted] Sherman, Texas. She claimed numerous pamphlets and newspapers in her possession were there in connection with her fight against communism.

[redacted]  
Sherman, Texas, in January, 1956, advised HAROLD WALLACE TOTTEN, General Manager, Washington Iron Works, Incorporated, Sherman, is definitely anti-Semitic in his activities and subscribes to literature which he can find in furtherance of his anti-Semitic activities. He said TOTTEN had subscribed to some communist literature in furtherance of his activities and had given to him some of the pamphlets and publications he had acquired. [redacted] stated he in turn gave them to a representative of the State Attorney General's Office, Austin, Texas, which was obtained by him from TOTTEN at the request of those persons in Austin for use in their investigation.

BILL KING, Assistant Attorney General, State of Texas, Austin, Texas on December 9, 1955 reported that H. W. TOTTEN, General Manager, Washington Iron Works, Incorporated, Sherman, Texas, by letter dated December 5, 1955 had furnished several items of communist literature which consisted of pamphlets named as follows:

"The American Way to Jobs, Peace, Equal Rights and Democracy"

"What's behind 'Juvenile Delinquency' "

"The People versus Segregated Schools"

"How the Cradle of Liberty was Robbed"

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"The Best Years of Their Lives"

"Coexistence or No Existence"

"Labor Unity"

[redacted]  
Brownwood Texas on August 8, 1956, advised one [redacted]  
[redacted] Brownwood, Texas, had worked for  
him since July, 1956 as a salesman and had been involved in  
an automobile wreck with a company car a few days earlier  
near Glen Rose, Texas. [redacted] when obtaining the company  
car after the accident found two packets containing leaflets  
and pamphlets therein and noticed that one packet was labeled  
"Communistio" and the other was labeled "American." Among  
all these pieces of literature he found in the "American"  
packet one leaflet entitled, "Daily Worker" by H. W. TOTTEN,  
Sherman, Texas, which dealt with a news item that appeared  
in the February 17, 1955 issue of the "Daily Worker" of  
New York City. Also in the "American" packet were two copies  
of a leaflet entitled, "Let's Regain Our American Sovereignty,"  
which bore the name of Washington Iron Works, Incorporated.

The "Daily Worker" was an East Coast communist  
newspaper which suspended publication as of  
January 13, 1958.

Dallas [redacted] in 1958 advised a national convention of  
the National States Rights Party (a characterization of which  
appears in the appendix) was held on August 30, 1958 in the  
HENRY CLAY Hotel at Louisville, Kentucky. Among those present  
was an individual known as [redacted] TOTTEN of Sherman, Texas  
who stated he ran an iron works there.

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[redacted] Sherman, Texas,  
on February 7, 1956, advised she has known HAROLD WALLACE  
TOTTEN, SR. for a long time having attended school in Sherman  
with him [redacted] She said Washington Iron Works  
originally was organized in 1876 by TOTTEN's father, HARRY  
TOTTEN, and an uncle, JESS TOTTEN, both of whom are not now [redacted]

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*Harry L. Totten*  
*B. Oct. 11, 1877*  
*101 South Grand*  
*Sherman Texas*

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active in that business. She said this business is now controlled by HAROLD WALLACE TOTTEN, SR., and it is primarily concerned with repairs of Diesel type <sup>next to Totten</sup> motors. She said TOTTEN <sup>Texas</sup>

About three years previously Mr. and Mrs. HAROLD WALLACE TOTTEN extended an invitation to her to visit them, and she accepted two or three of such invitations. During her visits with the TOTTENS he tried to indoctrinate her with his anti-Semitic beliefs. He indicated to her that he was anti-United Nations, anti-government, and anti-communist as well as being anti-Semitic. He claimed the Jews were trying to take over the United States. [redacted] expressed the opinion Mr. TOTTEN could possibly be losing his mind and he, in her opinion, is by no means a well balanced person. He told her how he has in the past written anti-Semitic letters to editors of Dallas, Texas newspapers under fictitious names giving Sherman fictitious addresses.

Dallas [redacted] on October 3, 1958 advised HAROLD WALLACE TOTTEN, SR., Sherman, Texas, on November 9, 1955 was at Houston, Texas in connection with an organization known as PATRICK HENRY Brigade which informant described as an anti-Semitic organization. Informant stated TOTTEN also has been closely associated with GERALD L. K. SMITH whom informant advised was a noted anti-Semitic lecturer. Informant further advised TOTTEN had been associated with [redacted] Denison, Texas, [redacted]

[redacted] described by informant as anti-Semitic in nature.

Dallas [redacted] on February 21, 1958 stated that a meeting of the Oak Cliff White Citizens Council of Dallas, Texas was held at the Adolphus Hotel, Dallas, on February 21, 1958. HAROLD WALLACE TOTTEN, SR. of Sherman, Texas was among those present and made a talk which was anti-Semitic in nature. He told those present they should be armed to protect themselves; that he always carried a gun with him in his car at all times.

Dallas [redacted] on March 16, 1956 advised that HAROLD

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WALLACE TOTTEN, SR., Sherman, Texas, had made arrangements with the Merchants and Planters National Bank in Sherman to open a checking account at that bank under the name of the Christian Educational Association which had headquarters at Box 807 Union New Jersey. Informant advised [redacted] ✓

[redacted] association. Informant stated numerous deposits had been made to that account which had been made up principally of checks in small amounts from various parts of the United States some of which were marked "subscription." Dallas [redacted] in January, 1960 advised H. W. TOTTEN had confided in him that he contributed several thousand dollars each year to fight communists and zionist Jews whom TOTTEN considers to be communist. He said TOTTEN is a close friend [redacted]

[redacted]  
Informant stated TOTTEN also claims to be well acquainted with many other leading anti-Semitic leaders such as GERALD L. K. SMITH.

#### CHRISTIAN EDUCATIONAL ASSOCIATION

The Christian Educational Association of 530 Chestnut Street, Union, New Jersey, is the publisher of "Common Sense," a tabloid-size newspaper published twice monthly except during July and August. Current issues of this paper identify the editor as CONDE MCGINLEY and the publisher as the Christian Educational Association.

On December 17, 1954, the Committee on Un-American Activities of the United States House of Representatives published a "Preliminary Report on Neo-Fascist and Hate Groups" in which their growth and objectives are discussed at length. The report indicates that "Common Sense" has a circulation which fluctuates between 30,000 and 100,000 copies an issue. It describes "Common Sense" as a "hate sheet" vehicle which publishes

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"some of the most vitriolic hate propaganda ever to come to the attention of the Committee."

According to the report, "Common Sense" depicts Communism as Judaism and devotes its pages almost entirely to attacks on the Jewish and to a lesser extent, the Negro minorities in the United States. Sympathy for the former Nazi government in Germany is also shown in the paper.

Dallas [ ] on November 5, 1958 advised that in the past HAROLD WALLACE TOTTEN, SR. of Sherman, Texas had received large packages of material from New York or New Jersey which material was anti-Semitic in nature. According to informant, TOTTEN's practice would be to take that material and break it into several smaller packages and then remail them to other individuals. Informant recalled that on one occasion TOTTEN mailed one package by first class mail after making inquiry to see if first class mail could be opened for inspection. When advised that only first class mail could not be opened for inspection he demanded that package be sent first class paying a large amount of money for postage for it.

Dallas [ ] on December 10, 1958 advised that persons who want copies of "Common Sense" or other literature of the Christian Educational Association, Union, New Jersey, wrote [ ] principal contacts throughout the country such as Mr. TOTTEN, in care of Washington Iron Works, Sherman, Texas. Informant stated TOTTEN has handled and distributed literature of that organization including "Common Sense."

Dallas [ ] on March 4, 1959 advised that in the summer of 1958, date not recalled, a meeting of individuals was held at the Adolphus Hotel, Dallas. Informant advised the meeting purportedly was for the purpose of fighting integration but according to informant, it was principally anti-Semitic in nature. Retired Rear Admiral CROMMELIN was the main speaker and among those present was GERALD L. K. SMITH. Also among those present were HAROLD W. TOTTEN [ ] [ ] Sherman, Texas. TOTTEN spent most of his

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time of that meeting with CROMMELIN and SMITH, [redacted] but did not appear as highly placed among the group as TOTTEN. According to informant, TOTTEN has attempted to interest numerous individuals in Sherman in anti-Semitic activities and has taken groups of persons to Dallas to hear certain individuals speak. Informant stated TOTTEN's employees at the Washington Iron Works are expected to cooperate with him in his anti-Semitic activities and most of them do so to keep their jobs. It is said however that TOTTEN's [redacted] Sherman, were the only persons interested in that type of activity.

Dallas [redacted] on May 16, 1960 advised literature was distributed by the National States Rights Party announcing ORVIL FAUBUS and JOHN CROMMELIN had been nominated as candidates for president and vice president respectively by the National States Rights Party.

[redacted] who reported to the FBI on communist matters from about 1943 to 1950 on August 31, 1959 furnished a two page typewritten report concerning HAROLD TOTTEN, General Manager and part owner, Washington Iron Works, Incorporated, Sherman, Texas. [redacted] stated he was not in a position to vouch for the integrity of the source who furnished that typewritten report to him nor substantiate the information therein. [redacted] on September 21, 1959 identified that source to Special Agents [redacted]

[redacted] who was temporarily in 1959 at Colorado Springs, Colorado. The typewritten report furnished by [redacted] among other things, reflected TOTTEN has in the past had an alias of J. Brinks, Des Voigne Road, Denison, Texas, and has also used the alias Mrs. Pearl, Post Office Box 28, Sherman, Texas. That report stated TOTTEN acts as a "staunch patriot" and possesses letters of "foremost patriots" written to him as well as many books written by "outstanding patriots." He stated TOTTEN prints false letterheads and uses them to stir up trouble between persons and groups throughout the country. Some of the printing jobs were said to be handled by Frantz Printing Company, Sherman, Texas and the Manney Company, 1041 Isbell Road, Ft. Worth, Texas. A faithful

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helper and associate was said to [redacted]  
It stated TOTTEN possesses at his ranch at Denison, Texas  
an arsenal of weapons, pistols and rifles, as well as  
quantities of ammunition. It stated he had a machinist make  
gun silencers in 1957 and it was believed that they had been  
hidden in one of the houses at the ranch. It was stated that  
prior to 1958 he sent up dozens of illuminated balloons and  
"stirred up" numerous persons in that area because of the  
"so called flying saucer scare." It was said that he has  
built and has been responsible for flaming crosses in Texas.  
This report identified [redacted]

built by TOTTEN on the [redacted]  
miles [redacted] The report stated TOTTEN always  
carries a gun and never enters his automobile or truck with-  
out his pistol being on the front seat. It stated he is  
"a coward" but is assumed to be [redacted] The report stated  
TOTTEN is unreliable [redacted] *Colo* *Ger.*

[redacted] East Bernard, Texas, on September  
25, 1959 was interviewed by Special Agents [redacted]  
[redacted] Colorado Springs, Colorado. He  
said he associated with HAROLD TOTTEN owner of Washington  
Iron Works, Sherman, Texas for about two years [redacted]

[redacted] He said he disassociated himself with TOTTEN about  
November, 1958. He said that he, in all, saw TOTTEN perhaps  
45 or 50 times during that period of time. He commented that  
TOTTEN poses as a "staunch patriot" and is outwardly anti-  
Semitic. He said he had seen printed "throw-aways" and  
"stickers" which had been printed for TOTTEN by Frantz Print-  
ing Company, Sherman, Texas, and Manney Company, 1041 Isbell  
Road, Ft. Worth, Texas, which were extremely anti-Semitic.  
He advised TOTTEN had his employees sometimes post these on  
the Jewish-operated business establishments which they might  
contact. He said, however, he believes that TOTTEN, in his  
outspoken feelings towards the Jews, is actually camouflaging  
his true feelings which he believes to be very much pro-Jewish.  
He said he believes TOTTEN feeds information to the Anti-  
Defamation League but could not cite any examples to support  
his contention. He said, however, that one instance of his  
true character, in reference to Jewry, was that he openly

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backed former Admiral of the U. S. Navy, (First name unknown) CROMMELIN, who ran for Governor of the State of Alabama, and who allegedly according [redacted] is a personal friend [redacted]

Union, New Jersey. He said that although TOTTEN claimed to "back" CROMMELIN, he actually spread rumors and gossip to the effect that CROMMELIN [redacted] were "agents" of the Anti-Defamation League.

[redacted] said that TOTTEN appears to be a man who "stirs up trouble" and pointed out that he was responsible for burning crosses around Sherman, Texas, "just to stir people up." He also said that TOTTEN launched, from his ranch, five miles east and south of Denison, Texas, flying saucers. He said he did not know why, but he assumed it was just to "stir people up." He said that TOTTEN could very well be "a mad man." He said TOTTEN is always armed; that he carries a revolver in his car and always has one on his desk in his office and at his home in close proximity to him.

[redacted] said that one of TOTTEN's close [redacted] Sherman, Texas, who is associated [redacted] He said that [redacted] actually disapproves [redacted] association with TOTTEN. [redacted] he said, once painted the scene depicting "The Last Supper" and TOTTEN, according to [redacted] he should not allow [redacted] "to paint such stuff." [redacted] said TOTTEN is not only anti-Jewish but anti-Christian.

[redacted] advised further that TOTTEN subscribes to a magazine published by homosexuals. The name of the magazine could not be recalled by [redacted] He said he has no information indicating whether TOTTEN, himself, is or is not a homosexual, but said he suspected TOTTEN of having an [redacted]

[redacted] advised that TOTTEN is visited from time to time by persons whom TOTTEN considers "staunch patriots."

[redacted] was arrested on a presidential warrant as an alien enemy on December 9, 1941 and was interned. He was repatriated to Germany

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on January 7, 1945 from Jersey City, New Jersey. He subsequently was permitted to reenter the United States as a non-quota immigrant inasmuch as his wife is an American citizen.

Mrs. JESS TOTTEN, 1706 North Wharton Street, Sherman, Texas on July 22, 1959 advised Special Agent [redacted] Jr. that she is an aunt of HAROLD WALLACE TOTTEN and that she had heard from unidentified sources that HAROLD TOTTEN was a member of some kind of a secret or subversive organization and that meetings were held by this organization on HAROLD TOTTEN's farm, Route 3, Denison, Texas. She could not provide any further details pertaining to the nature of those meetings.

[redacted] Sherman, on June 12, 1959 advised [redacted] Washington Iron Works, Sherman, on June 11, 1959 made application at Sherman for renewal of his passport. He said he was going to Venezuela, to be gone about a week, and was going to "repair a crankshaft of a boat." He said he planned to leave from New Orleans June 12, 1959 by air. [redacted] on June 12, 1959 learned from Washington Iron Works that [redacted] trip to Venezuela had been cancelled. [redacted] desired, however, that his application for passport renewal not be cancelled for future use on trips of a similar nature. On June 12, 1959 HAROLD TOTTEN at Washington Iron Works telephonically asked [redacted] "What do I have to do to get a visa to the Soviet Union?" He then said that he would make application "one of these days." [redacted] April 25, 1960 advised that HAROLD WALLACE TOTTEN [redacted] applied on April 20, 1960 for United States passports for the purpose of visiting the Soviet Union. Date of departure was listed as about July 1, 1960 from New York City travelling by air with "In Tourist" furnishing a guide, chauffeur, and translator. [redacted]

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Dallas [redacted] on February 10, 1958 advised a meeting sponsored by the Citizens Council of Louisville, Kentucky was held on February 1, 1958 at the HENRY CLAY Hotel, Louisville with about 350 people attending. There were several speakers at that meeting which included [redacted]

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*KA* [redacted] *SC* [redacted] Alabama; and [redacted]  
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Dallas [redacted] on December 30, 1958 after viewing a photograph of [redacted] Sherman, Texas, identified him as [redacted] mentioned by informant above. *Sherman*

Dallas [redacted] advised that the National Knights of the Ku Klux Klan, Knights of the Ku Klux Klan (NKKKK) was formed by JAMES W. BAGWELL of Greenville, South Carolina, on October 4, 1957. Informant stated BAGWELL has claimed the NKKKK was affiliated with other Klan groups and its objectives were to oppose integration in every form.

The "Greenville News," a Greenville, South Carolina, newspaper, in its issue of January 2, 1958, published an article which reflected that BAGWELL had announced on the previous day that NKKKK was being dissolved.

*MRS.*  
Records of the Merchants Retail Credit Association, Sherman, on November 19, 1958 reflected [redacted] since 1936. [redacted] Sherman, Texas, has been known to that agency [redacted] was born in [redacted] and [redacted] Washington Iron Works, having held that position since 1951. *Wife*

Dallas [redacted] on March 11, 1959 stated HAROLD WALLACE TOTTEN, SR. and business activities at the Washington Iron Works, Sherman, have been well known to him in the past. He said TOTTEN is well known for being "extremely anti-Semitic" and he stated that most of TOTTEN's employees are expected to either agree with him or seek other employment. Informant stated [redacted] TOTTEN but informant does not believe [redacted] of the same opinion as TOTTEN concerning anti-Semitism, but it is possible [redacted] have found it necessary to cooperate with TOTTEN to keep his job.

Records of the Passport Office, U. S. Department of

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State, Washington, D. C. on June 21, 1960 reflected that HAROLD WALLACE TOTTEN was issued passport 2189561 at Washington, D. C., on April 29, 1960, for proposed two weeks' travel to the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics (USSR) for the purpose of business. In his application dated April 20, 1960, at Sherman, Texas, he stated his intention to depart from New York, New York, about July 1, 1960, by air, name of airline not yet known. He indicated that he was traveling by organized tour. This passport was valid for three years' travel to all countries except Albania and those portions of China, Korea and Viet-Nam under communist control.

This individual stated that he was born on February 4, 1900, at Sherman, Texas, and his file reflects that his birth certificate has been seen by passport authorities. He gave his permanent residence as 204 West Texas Street, Sherman, Texas. He listed his father as HARRY L. TOTTEN, born at Sherman, Texas, on October 11, 1877, and residing at the time of the application at 101 South Grand, Sherman, Texas. He listed his mother as HERDA HYDE TOTTEN, born in Texas and now deceased. He stated that he was last married on November 15, 1921, [redacted]

[redacted] and residing with him, marriage not terminated.

TOTTEN furnished the following description on the application:

Height	Six feet
Hair	Dark brown
Eyes	Brown
Marks	Mole on chin
Occupation	Industrial Executive

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Dallas [redacted] on May 28, 1959 furnished information [redacted] Sherman, Texas, and H. W. TOTTEN, Box 28, Sherman, Texas, were among numerous contributors to the National Renaissance Party (NRP). [redacted] had contributed \$2.00 and \$5.00 and TOTTEN had contributed \$12.00, \$12.00, and \$2.00, exact dates of these five contributions being unknown to informant.

Dallas [redacted] advised the NRP is an anti-Semitic, anti-Negro, neo-fascist organization with activities generally confined to the New York City area. It [redacted] Its main function is distribution of the National Renaissance Bulletin on a monthly basis and distribution of pro-Arab literature obtained from official Arab establishments in New York City.

The House Un-American Activities Committee, Washington, D. C. in a preliminary report dated December 17, 1954 stated, "NRP activities and propaganda are clearly subversive and un-American."

[redacted] Sherman, Texas, on January 27, 1964 advised HAROLD TOTTEN has made no application for renewal of a passport through her office since he obtained a passport in 1960. She stated she had had no dealings with TOTTEN or any of his employees for several years nor has she been aware of any unusual activities of TOTTEN's in recent years.

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Dallas [ ] on January 27, 1964 advised that "hate literature" that had been received by HAROLD W. TOTEN in the past has steadily decreased in volume during recent years. Informant had no information that TOTEN had received or mailed any such literature for several months.

[ ] Sherman, Texas, on January 27, 1964 advised that he has received no pertinent information pertaining to HAROLD W. TOTEN during recent months.

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NATIONAL STATES RIGHTS PARTY  
(NSRP)

On November 26, 1957, a source advised that the United White Party (UWP) was organized at a convention held in Knoxville, Tennessee, on November 10, 1957. An article in the November 26, 1957, issue of the "Greenville Piedmont," a newspaper of Greenville, South Carolina, reported "the recent formation of a new political party to be known as the United White Party." According to the article, the party was formed at a recently held meeting in Knoxville, Tennessee, at which many klansmen were represented. The UWP was reported as being opposed to all "race mixing organizations and individuals."

The July, 1958, issue of "The Thunderbolt," self-described as the "official Racial Nationalist Organ of the National States Rights Party" (NSRP) reported that rank and file "States Righters" had merged with the UWP under "the banner of the National States Rights Party," with national offices at Post Office Box 251, Jeffersonville, Indiana.

In November, 1958 a source advised that the NSRP is composed of past members of klan-type organizations and notorious anti-Semites.

Issue Number 19, dated June, 1960, "The Thunderbolt," announced the address of the headquarters of the NSRP had been changed from Jeffersonville, Indiana, to Post Office Box 783, Birmingham, Alabama.

On June 17, 1960, a source advised that Edward R. Fields, the Information Director of the NSRP, is the individual who "runs the NSRP."

"The Thunderbolt" continues to publish articles attacking Negroes and persons of the Jewish faith.

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Dallas, Texas  
March 31, 1964

Title HAROLD WALLACE TOTTEN, SR.

Character INTERNAL SECURITY - CUBA

Reference Report of Special Agent [redacted]  
[redacted] at Dallas dated 3/31/64.

All sources (except any listed below) whose identities  
are concealed in referenced communication have furnished reliable  
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Enclosed for Dallas and Mexico City

Dallas should initiate investigation of subject to determine if he is engaged in activities which could be considered inimical to the interests of the U. S.

You are referred to following communications which set forth data concerning an individual by the same name who may be identical with subject: Dallas letter to Bureau 4-16-59 re [redacted] Racial Matters; Dallas letters to Bureau 1-13-60 and 2-3-60 and Dallas report of SA [redacted] dated 6-2-60 concerning Unsub; aka "The Patriot," Racial Matters; Dallas letter to Bureau 10-4-63 concerning [redacted] IS - China.

Bureau notes above communications concerned a [redacted] who was associated with Harold Wallace Totten, your file 105-817 [redacted] Should you [redacted] determine subject is employed for Totten, [redacted]

[redacted] During inquiries re subject and Totten, you should be [redacted] alert for information indicating either or both are engaged in commercial dealings with Cuba. Such information would be of interest to Bureau of International Commerce.

Bureau is presently attempting to obtain authority [redacted] to disseminate data [redacted]

Mexico City upon receipt of sufficient background data from Dallas re subject and Totten should through sources attempt to verify their presence in Mexico in 1963.

An additional copy of this letter is furnished Dallas for its case re Totten.

Enclosure

2 - Mexico City (Enclosures 2)  
1 - 105-123904 [redacted]

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1 - 100-431876 (Totten)  
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Letter to SAC, Dallas

Re: [redacted]

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contain data re one [redacted] Harold Wallace  
Totten, Sr., Washington Iron Works. [redacted]  
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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

# Memorandum

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (100-431876)

DATE: 5/15/64

FROM : SAC, WFO (62-8227) (RUC)

SUBJECT: HAROLD WALLACE TOTTEN, SR., aka  
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Rerep of SA [redacted] 3/31/64, at Dallas, requesting WFO check Passport Office regarding subject and [redacted]

Enclosed for Bureau and Dallas are nine and two copies, respectively, of LHM with results of Passport review by IC [redacted]

Information regarding [redacted] being furnished under his caption.

On 5/8/64, [redacted] Passport Office, United States Department of State, advised IC [redacted] no record of subject applying for or receiving permission for travel to Cuba. W

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Copy to: [redacted] STATE/RAO/mex. City w/ke of [redacted] Letter  
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Date 5-26-64 by JRU/st

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Re: 6-1-69  
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BY: VTT AEG

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

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May 15, 1964

HAROLD WALLACE TOTTEN

File maintained for Harold Wallace Totten at  
Passport Office, United States Department of State, was  
reviewed on May 8, 1964, and contained the following:

Passport 2189561 issued April 29, 1960, to  
Harold Wallace Totten was renewed on January 28, 1963,  
to expire April 28, 1965. He indicated he desired  
passport to be used for emergency business trips.

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Dallas, Texas  
December 20, 1963

HAROLD WALLACE TOTTEN, SR.

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HAROLD WALLACE TOTTEN, SR., is president of the Washington Iron Works, Inc., Sherman, Texas, and was last known to reside at 210 West Texas Avenue, Sherman.

Sources have advised that TOTTEN has expressed strong hatred for the Jewish people, and was an active member of the National States Rights Party (NSRP), a characterization of which is attached hereto. TOTTEN has been reported to have a gun available at all times, and has reportedly made slanderous remarks concerning a high U. S. Government official.

The files of the Passport Office, Department of State, disclosed that HAROLD WALLACE TOTTEN, SR., was issued Passport No. 2189581 at Washington, D. C., on April 29, 1960, for a proposed two weeks travel to the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics for the purpose of business.

TOTTEN is described as follows:

Sex:	Male
Race:	White
Birth data:	February 4, 1900, Sherman, Texas.
Height:	6'
Eyes:	Blue
Hair:	Brown
Marks:	Mole on chin
Occupation:	Industrial executive
Relatives:	Father - HARRY L. TOTTEN, Sherman, Texas; mother - MIRDA HYDE TOTTEN, deceased:

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Title changed to add aliases John F. Brinks and Thomas E. Edwards, as additional names by which subject has been known.

REFERENCES: Washington Field letter to Bureau, 5/15/64.  
Report of SA  3/31/64 at Dallas.

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**ENCLOSURES**

**TO BUREAU**

Two copies of subject's photograph (which Bureau may desire to furnish to Legat, Mexico City).

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AT SAN ANTONIO, TEXAS. Will contact INS, San Antonio, for the purpose of trying to locate I-94 Forms pertaining to departures from the United States and re-entries concerning subject.

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and his firm's [redacted]  
Investigation has established that subject TOTTEN [redacted]  
departed Dallas via Braniff Airways, 4/26/64 en route to Mexico  
City. They thereafter reportedly returned to their employment  
at Sherman, Texas on about 4/28/64. [redacted]  
[redacted]  
[redacted] (S)

Legat, Mexico City, contemplates some additional investiga-  
tion concerning subject and the subject of the case entitled [redacted]  
[redacted] IS - CUBA" Dallas: OO. (Dallas file  
105-1642) (Bufile 105-127872). Legat, Mexico City, requested that  
details concerning the dates and ports of entry utilized, as well  
as the dates and ports of exit utilized be determined pertaining  
to TOTTEN [redacted] if possible.

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AT SHERMAN, TEXAS. 1. [redacted]

[redacted] Washington Iron Works, who resides at Bells, Texas. Contact  
with him should be away from his place of employment since that  
firm is operated by subject.

2. Will through established sources and any available  
informants develop any other available data concerning subject's  
activities [redacted] (S)

AT DENISON, TEXAS. At the Post Office, determine if  
subject receives mail there through General Delivery and particularly,  
under the names JOHN F. BRINKS or THOMAS E. EDWARDS.

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[redacted] restricted to the Department of Justice, Department of State, Departments of Army, Navy and Air Force, and the Bureau of International Commerce.

For San Antonio's further information, [redacted]

[redacted] Washington Iron Works, Inc., Sherman, Texas, over which HAROLD WALLACE TOTTON, SR. is manager and part-owner. TOTTON reportedly between 1954 and 1963, was engaged in anti-Semitic activities and during portions of that period, had association with representatives of the National States Rights Party (NSRP), Christian Educational Association, Union, New Jersey, and contributed to the National Renaissance Party (NRP). TOTTON and

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[redacted] were on 4/29/60 issued passports for two weeks travel to Soviet Union, business being listed as the purpose for that travel. [redacted] SHERMAN, TEXAS

[redacted] Sherman, Texas, on 4/28/64 advised SA [redacted] in addition to the information shown in details of instant report, that the information he had pertaining to instant matter was furnished him [redacted] Bells, Texas, [redacted] Washington Iron Works, Inc., Sherman, [redacted] was not revealed [redacted] interview [redacted] For that reason, [redacted] name also was not revealed in instant report.

[redacted] on 5/7/64, when interviewed, advised SA [redacted] in addition to the data shown in the details of instant report that he, [redacted] talked among themselves about instant matter. The fact that [redacted] name was not included in the details of instant report or in [redacted] FD-302 because it is not yet known whether [redacted] when interviewed, will request anonymity.

Contact with [redacted] Passport Office, State Department, Washington, D. C., was by IC [redacted] Check of records of the Passport Office, State Department, Washington, D. C. regarding [redacted] 5/7/64 and regarding TOTTON on 5/8/64, was by IC [redacted] (Above data contained in Dallas file 105-817-31 and 105-1642-15).

Secret Service, Dallas, Texas, has been notified regarding HAROLD WALLACE TOTTON, SR.'s tendencies on December 20, 1963, (Dallas file 62-3372-111) in the case entitled "TROPUS".

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Office: DALLAS

Date: 6/17/64

Field Office File No.: 105-817

Bureau File No.: 100-431876

Title: HAROLD WALLACE TOTTEN, SR.

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Synopsis: Employee of Washington Iron Works, Inc., Sherman, Texas, on 5/7/64, advised subject [REDACTED] Washington Iron Works, Inc., Sherman, in recent months have expressed criticism of policies of the U. S. Government, opposition to the U. S. Blockade of Cuba, and stated they believe FIDEL CASTRO knew what he was doing and the U. S. should leave him alone. That person also had information subject [REDACTED] in about September or October, 1963 and on about 4/25/64, made a trip to Mexico, purpose unknown. He stated both returned to work following the last trip on about 4/28/64 at Sherman. Airline records reflect subject [REDACTED] on 4/26/64 travelled from Dallas, Texas to Mexico City, Mexico, via Braniff Airways, Flight 51. Records of the Passport Office, Department of State Washington, D. C., reflect no information concerning [REDACTED] and reflect no information either [REDACTED] TOTTEN have applied for, or received, permission to travel to Cuba. TOTTEN renewed his passport on 1/28/63, expiration date 4/28/65, indicating passport to be used for emergency business trips.

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Details:

[REDACTED] Sherman, Texas, who is [REDACTED] Dallas Crime Commission, Dallas, Texas, was interviewed by SA [REDACTED] the Masonic Lodge, Dallas, Texas, on April 28, 1964. [REDACTED] volunteered information which he said had been received by him from [REDACTED] and one other individual, both employees of Washington Iron Works, Inc., Sherman, Texas. He said they told him that HAROLD TOTTEN, owner of Washington Iron Works, Inc., [REDACTED] TOTTEN, have made statements critical of the U.S. Government and of high government

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officials. TOTTEN reportedly in the company [redacted] was then on a business trip to Mexico. He understood these two men have in the past made other so-called business trips to Mexico and possibly other foreign nations. He could not identify any other foreign nations to which they may have travelled and said he could not provide an explanation for that travel being allegedly of a business nature.

[redacted] further said TOTTEN received mail in care of General Delivery, Denison, Texas, under the names JOHN F. BRINKS and THOMAS E. EDWARDS. He further stated TOTTEN has the reputation in the community for being of "radical" tendencies and has in the past held political meetings of some type at his home, during which he distributed literature believed anti-Semitic.

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[redacted] Sherman, Texas, and he considers her a suspicious individual, no details furnished.

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Date 5/15/64

[redacted] advised HAROLD W. TOTTEN, SR. is President and General Manager of Washington Iron Works, Inc., 312 East Lamar, Sherman, Texas, and that [redacted] employed by that firm. Informant said that [redacted] several months ago at the Washington Iron Works, made comments among employees there that he believed FIDEL CASTRO of Cuba and NIKITA KHRUSHCHEV of Russia were smart people. He and HAROLD W. TOTTEN, SR., at that establishment in recent months, have expressed themselves by criticizing policies of the United States Government and stated opposition to the U. S. Blockade of Cuba. They also have criticized President KENNEDY and President JOHNSON concerning their policies. They also have made remarks to the effect they believe FIDEL CASTRO knew what he was doing and that the U. S. should leave him alone. Informant stated that in about September or October, 1963, [redacted] TOTTEN travelled to Mexico, purpose unknown. Informant recalled that a few days before President KENNEDY was assassinated on November 22, 1963, [redacted] to some of the employees at Washington Iron Works that he had read news stories about President KENNEDY's planned trip to Texas and thought "it would be funny" if something should happen to him. He made these remarks as a continuation of his further criticism of President KENNEDY's policies. Informant recalled that on the afternoon immediately following President KENNEDY's assassination, [redacted] TOTTEN were at the Washington Iron Works, having just heard about the assassination, and were saying that it could not have been them because they were at the Washington Iron Works at the time it happened.

Since that date [redacted] TOTTEN have said nothing further along those lines but both have remarked since that time that President JOHNSON is not any better in their opinion. Informant stated that on various occasions, TOTTEN [redacted] with other employees at Washington Iron Works, engaged in discussions about what KHRUSHCHEV and CASTRO have done. Informant stated TOTTEN in the past has been anti-Semitic in his sympathies and beliefs and claims he believes the Jews will take over the United States because they "rule the money". Informant understood [redacted] is an atheist believing in no supreme power. Informant has no knowledge that either of them has been arrested for any offense.

Informant stated that [redacted] TOTTEN left Sherman, on April 25, 1964, a Saturday, and travelled to Dallas, Texas in

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by Special Agent [redacted] CMS Date dictated 5/11/64

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a company car driven by [redacted] employed by Washington Iron Works, Inc. At that time [redacted] TOTTEN were supposed to have travelled from Dallas to Mexico, destination and purpose of travel being unknown to informant. They were gone from Sherman only a few days and both were back to work at Sherman on April 28, 1964. Informant stated [redacted] took a vacation trip to Mexico City in about the summer of 1962. So far as informant knows, she has expressed no sympathies for Russia or Cuba. Informant said she is loyal to her employer, TOTTEN.

Informant stated TOTTEN receives newspapers and literature from time to time in the names of JOHN R. BRINKS and THOMAS E. EDWARDS. Informant believes the literature is of anti-communist nature. Informant said [redacted] hotheaded and has the nickname [redacted] which he has had for six or eight years.

Informant stated [redacted] at one time was a partner [redacted] working for Washington Iron Works; that [redacted] a few years ago had a "parting of ways" [redacted] SHERMAN, TEXAS ✓

Informant stated [redacted] 1934 age [redacted] about [redacted] years, is now learning the business at Washington Iron Works but does not appear to be involved in any of the suspicious activities of TOTTEN or [redacted] TOTTEN's father, H. L. TOTTEN, age about 86, presently resides on Grand Avenue at Sherman, and if he shares in TOTTEN's political views it is not known to [redacted] TEXAS HARVEY TOTTEN

Informant furnished descriptions of [redacted] and TOTTEN as follows: [redacted]

Name:	[redacted]	[redacted]
Sex:	Male	
Race:	White	
Age:	About [redacted]	
Height:	About 5'7"	
Weight:	160 pounds	
Hair:	Blond, crewcut	
Complexion:	Medium dark or ruddy	
Eyes:	Blue, wears black shell-rimmed reading glasses	
Residence:	[redacted]	Sherman, Texas

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Name:	HAROLD W. TOTTEN
Race:	White
Sex:	Male
Age:	About 62
Height:	5'10"
Weight:	170 pounds
Hair:	Dark, greying slightly; has mustache
Complexion:	Dark
Eyes:	Unknown; occasionally wears dark horn-rimmed glasses
Peculiarities:	Walks like feet hurt
Marital Status:	Married
Automobiles:	Drives 1964 Buick Wildcat, gold color, (personal car; 1964 GMC green $\frac{1}{2}$ ton company-owned pickup truck; and any one of three green Buick station wagons, 1961, 1962 and 1963, models, company cars.

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[redacted] Sherman, Texas, on May 7, 1964, advised SA [redacted] that he has received no recent pertinent information concerning subject's activities. He has heard nothing that would indicate either TOTTEN [redacted] TOTTEN have travelled outside of the United States. He recalled that [redacted] Sherman, Texas, a day or two previously inquired of him if the FBI had recently been in Sherman checking on TOTTEN. He said he told [redacted] he did not know. [redacted] has no information that would indicate [redacted] TOTTEN has engaged in activities detrimental to the United States.

The January, 1964, Sherman, Texas telephone directory lists Washington Iron Works, Inc., 318 East Lamar, Sherman, 892-8145 and lists 892-9309 as a number to call on holidays and week ends. It lists H. W. TOTTEN, 204 West Texas Avenue, Sherman, 892-5818, and H. W. TOTTEN, JR., 509 North Holly Avenue, 892-9309. It also lists HARRY TOTTEN, 101 South Grand Avenue, Sherman, 892-8431 [redacted]

DL [redacted] on May 7, 1964, advised HAROLD W. TOTTEN, operator of Washington Iron Works, Inc., at Sherman, Texas, resides at 204 West Texas Avenue, Sherman. Informant stated TOTTEN receives mail both at his residence and at Box 28, Sherman, Texas, which is a post office box utilized by Washington Iron Works, Inc. He stated other persons affiliated with that firm received mail through that box, [redacted] being one of them, but the names of others are unknown. Informant stated he heard rumors several years ago that [redacted] had anti-Semitic beliefs. He has no information, however, that [redacted] TOTTEN is affiliated with any particular organizations and has no information that either of them has engaged in any activities detrimental to the United States or has travelled or communicated with anyone outside of the United States.

[redacted] Immigration and Naturalization Service (INS), Dallas, Texas, on May 6, 1964, advised SA [redacted] that no record is kept by her agency concerning U. S. entries and departures by U. S. citizens except where the travel is by air. She stated that if the U. S. citizen should travel to Mexico by air, then Form I-94 is prepared by INS recording their departure from the United States as well as their arrival in the United States. That form thereafter is sent to certain INS Offices. She stated it is likely the San Antonio INS Office would have Forms I-94 on file for persons who would travel from Dallas to Mexico City, depending upon whether the port of arrival or exit was the

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normal port utilized. She stated the passport is not needed by U. S. citizens to travel to Mexico but one would be needed to travel to Cuba.

[redacted] Custom Bureau, Love Field, Dallas, Texas, on May 8, 1964, advised Passenger Manifests concerning passengers traveling direct to and from Mexico to Dallas on CMA Airline, are not maintained by his agency; that such records would be available only at the office of Continental Airlines, Dallas, Texas, which maintains such records for CMA Airline.

[redacted] Customer Service, Continental Airlines, Love Field, Dallas, on May 8, 1964, advised SA [redacted] after examining Passenger Manifests concerning flights between Dallas and Mexico of CMA Airline for the period between April 16, 1964, and April 30, 1964, he could not locate any record of travel [redacted] TOTTEN to Mexico or return.

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[redacted], Braniff Airways, Dallas, Texas, advised his records reflect [redacted] H. TOTTEN travelled on Braniff flight #51, First Class, on April 26, 1964 from Love Field, Dallas, Texas to Mexico City, Mexico, leaving Dallas at 11:10 AM and arriving at Mexico City at 2:30 PM. They had no return reservation at the time they departed from Dallas. Their reservations for the trip to Mexico City were made telephonically at 4:10 PM April 17, 1964, by an unnamed secretary who gave the business telephone number 892-8145, Sherman, Texas. She also furnished home telephone numbers for the travelers as 892-5818 for TOTTEN [redacted] [redacted] These were Sherman, Texas telephone numbers.

[redacted] stated their reservation records are retained for only about sixty days and he could furnish no data concerning any alleged travel [redacted] TOTTEN from Dallas to Mexico in September or October, 1963.

on 6/5/64 at Dallas, Texas File # DL 105-817  
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Passport Office, U. S. Department of State, Washington, D. C.,  
on May 8, 1964, advised that office has no record of HAROLD  
WALLACE TOTTEN, SR. [redacted] applying for or receiving  
permission to travel to Cuba.

The file maintained for HAROLD WALLACE TOTTEN at  
Passport Office, United States Department of State, was reviewed  
on May 8, 1964, and contained the following:

Passport 2189561 issued April 29, 1960, to HAROLD  
WALLACE TOTTEN was renewed on January 28, 1963, to expire April 28,  
1965. He indicated he desired passport to be used for emergency  
business trips.

Records of the Passport Office, Department of State,  
Washington, D. C. as of May 7, 1964 reflected no identifiable  
information concerning [redacted]  
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Date: June 26, 1964

To: Director  
Investigations Division  
Office of Export Control  
Bureau of International Commerce  
Department of Commerce

From: John Edgar Hoover, Director

Subject: [redacted]  
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[redacted]  
The Dallas, Texas, Office of the FBI has been instructed to furnish copies of all reports and memoranda setting forth results of our investigations regarding the subject and Harold Wallace Totten, Sr., to the Bureau of Customs at Houston, Texas.

We would have no objection to your having Customs conduct an investigation as outlined in the referenced letter. With the exception of the data attributed to Dallas [redacted] in our memorandum dated April 29, 1964, at Dallas, Texas, we do not object to your furnishing the background information set forth in this memorandum to an official United States installation in Mexico. It will not be necessary to conceal the FBI's identity as the originating agency in your contacts with the official United States installation. However, it is requested that you instruct the United States agency that the FBI should not be identified as the originating agency to any outside agency.

The information attributed to Dallas [redacted] in the above-mentioned memorandum [redacted] (S)

For your assistance in this respect, the information regarding [redacted] was furnished us by [redacted] (S)

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Bureau of International Commerce

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Any additional pertinent information we develop regarding [Redacted] Harold Wallace Totten, Sr., will be furnished you and the Bureau of Customs at Houston, Texas. We would appreciate the receipt of the results of any inquiries in this matter which appear to be of interest to the FBI.

NOTE FOR SAC, DALLAS:

[Redacted]

Letterhead memorandum regarding [Redacted] dated 4/29/64 at Dallas;

Reports of SA [Redacted] regarding Harold Wallace Totten, Sr., dated 3/31/64 and 6/17/64 at Dallas.

Single copies of future communications prepared for dissemination in your cases regarding [Redacted] and Totten should be furnished Bureau of Customs, Houston.

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Office of Export Control  
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[REDACTED] (S)  
Totten operates Washington Iron Works, Inc., Sherman, Texas, and

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] Since we do not know what (S)  
Mexican group might end up with our data, we are specifying FBI  
not be identified to whatever group eventually gets it. [REDACTED]

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Rerep SA [ ] dated 6/17/64 at Dallas.

Enclosed for the Bureau are 9 copies, and San Antonio two copies of FD-323, which were inadvertently omitted as last page of referenced report.

Appropriate errors have been scored and Dallas copies have been corrected.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

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TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (105-43876)

DATE: 7/31/64

FROM : LEGAT, MEXICO (105-3845) (P)

SUBJECT: HAROLD WALLACE TOTTEN, Sr., aka  
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Rerep of SA [redacted] dated 6/17/64 at  
Dallas.

[redacted] advised on 7/26/64 that he had been unable to  
locate any information identifiable with TOTTEN [redacted]  
in the files of the Mexican Immigration Department.

It would appear that [redacted] should be able to locate  
information concerning the travel of the subject and  
based on the specific dates furnished in referenced  
report.

After a suitable lapse of time, [redacted] will be asked to  
recheck the records of the Mexican Department of  
Immigration in order to locate travel documents utilized by  
the subject [redacted] during their travel in Mexico.

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To

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Rerep SA [redacted] 6/17/64 at Dallas  
and Bureau R/S dated 6/22/64.

Enclosed herewith are two copies of subject's  
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2 photographs of subject TOTTEN

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FROM: SAC, DALLAS

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Re Dallas let to Bureau, 4/29/64 concerning [REDACTED]  
and report of SA [REDACTED] Dallas, 3/17/64,  
concerning HAROLD WALLACE TOTTEN, SR.

Referenced communications contain the same infor-  
mation pertaining [REDACTED]

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communications. That information was furnished to the Dallas  
Office in enclosures with Bureau letter to Dallas, 4/14/64,  
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As stated in Bureau letter to Dallas, 2/26/64,  
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[redacted] (S)  
Review of the [redacted] TOTTEN files with regard to the program being handled in the case entitled "TROPUS" (Bufile 62-109119), it appears both TOTTEN [redacted] meet within the criteria for advising Secret Service. [redacted]

[redacted] Both TOTTEN [redacted] have the reputation for being "extreme political conservatives" and both have expressed criticism of policies of the U. S. Government and of Presidents KENNEDY and JOHNSON and have expressed belief that FIDEL CASTRO knew what he was doing and that United States should leave him alone. (S)

These letterhead memos concerning TOTTEN [redacted] if disseminated to Secret Service, would bear the classification "Secret - No Foreign Dissemination". [redacted]

[redacted] (S)  
It is requested that the Bureau ascertain [redacted]

[redacted] (enclosure to Bureau letter (S) to Dallas, 2/14/64, captioned [redacted] IS - CUBA"), addressed to Bureau can be disseminated to Secret Service in connection with "TROPUS". Preparation of the letterhead memorandum concerning [redacted] and the supplemental letterhead memo concerning TOTTEN will be held in abeyance by the Dallas Office pending results of [redacted] (S)

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# Memorandum

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI

DATE: 9/15/64

FROM : SAC, SAN FRANCISCO (105-16608)(RUC)

SUBJECT: HAROLD WALLACE TOTTEN, SR., aka  
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Re San Antonio letter to San Francisco, 8/24/64 (IO),  
and report of SA [redacted] 6/17/64, at Dallas.

## ADMINISTRATIVE:

Referenced letter, 8/24/64, indicated that the I-94 Forms utilized for air travel are actually executed by the transportation firm and with respect to these forms made at Dallas, Texas, the following procedure is generally followed:

A citizen traveling from Dallas, Texas, to Mexico City via Braniff or American Airlines would have his Form I-94 collected as the passenger boarded the plane at Dallas and the form is then sent to the San Antonio INS Office where it would be microfilmed and after the magazine of the microfilm is completed, the complete microfilm roll would be sent to the INS Office of San Francisco.

If the travel from Dallas, Texas, to Mexico is by CMA Airlines, the I-94 Form is obtained from the passenger as he enters the plane at Dallas and is sent to the INS Office at San Antonio where it is microfilmed and after the magazine of film is completed, the roll is sent to San Francisco on the Dallas roll.

On 9/4/64, [redacted] INS, San Francisco, provided rolls of microfilm on which the passenger manifest was recorded for flights departing San Antonio for Mexico City, which included passengers boarding at Dallas. These microfilm rolls were reviewed on 9/4/64 by SA [redacted] for the pertinent dates of travel concerning the captioned individual. rolls were rev

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It is noted that the microfilm I-94 Forms are in many instances illegible and due to faulty microfilming, the name of the passenger is completely obliterated. On many occasions, an examination of this microfilm reflects information pertaining to Braniff Airlines Flight 51 which departed San Antonio at 12:35 P.M., 4/26/64. The microfilm indicated that this flight had a passenger named HAROLD W. TOTTEN aboard. The only information available was that he was a U.S. citizen, had passport number Z189561 and the address noted was 204 W. Sherman, Texas. There was no other information available.

*FOREIGN*  
The manifest for this flight contains the name of a person, possibly [redacted] (very illegible and impossible to be certain). The address of this person was listed as [redacted] Sherman, Texas, a U.S. citizen. No other information was available on this manifest.

The microfilm rolls for flights from Mexico City on Braniff, American and CMA for 4/27, 28 and 30/64 were reviewed and reflected no passenger appearing identical to TOTTEN or [redacted] but in these instances there were many I-94 Forms which were completely illegible.

The microfilm rolls for departures from Dallas on 1/5, 6 and 7/64 were reviewed as well as arrivals from Mexico City on 1/9 and 10/64 and no passengers were noted which appeared identical with TOTTEN [redacted]

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DIRECTOR, FBI (62-109119)

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Enclosed are two copies of a LHM concerning [redacted] and two copies of a LHM concerning HAROLD WALLACE TOTTEN, SR.

Secret Service, Dallas, has been furnished two copies each of the enclosed memoranda, both being classified "Secret - No Foreign Dissemination". Dallas Secret Service was advised in the cover letter accompanying this memoranda, that both memoranda are so classified.

The enclosed LHM concerning TOTTEN is the second memorandum furnished to Secret Service, Dallas, in connection with TROPUS, the first having been furnished to that agency by letter dated December 23, 1963, which enclosed a previous memorandum dated December 20, 1963. The enclosed memorandum concerning [redacted] the first LHM that has been furnished to Secret Service, Dallas, in connection with TROPUS.

[redacted] is identical with the one entitled [redacted] IS - "DA" Bufile 105-127972, Dallas OO.

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In addition to data set forth in a memorandum at Dallas, Texas, dated December 20, 1963, the following is set forth:

[REDACTED]

Totten [REDACTED] travelled by plane, from Dallas, Texas, to Mexico City, Mexico, on April 26, 1964, purpose of trip unknown, and were back at the Washington Iron Works, Inc., Sherman, Texas, where they are employed, as of about April 28, 1964.

One individual in May, 1964, stated Totten and [REDACTED] recent months have criticized the policies of the United States Government and policies of President Kennedy and President Johnson. They also allegedly criticized the U. S. Blockade of Cuba. [REDACTED] in recent months expressed belief to other employees at the Washington Iron Works, Inc., Sherman, that he believed Fidel Castro of Cuba and Nikita Khrushchev of Russia were smart people. [REDACTED] and Totten reportedly have expressed beliefs that Castro knew what he was doing and the U. S. should leave him alone. The individual who furnished that information reported [REDACTED] a few days before President Kennedy was assassinated on November 22, 1963, remarked to employees of that firm, as a continuation of his criticism of President Kennedy's policies, that he thought "it would be funny" if something should happen to President Kennedy. [REDACTED] the time of those alleged

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comments had been noting news accounts of President Kennedy's planned trip to Texas. On the afternoon of the assassination, [REDACTED] Totten were at the Washington Iron Works, Inc., having just heard about the assassination, and they commented it could not have been done by them as they were at the Washington Iron Works at the time the assassination occurred.

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TITLE OF CASE <b>HAROLD WALLACE TOTTEN, SR. aka</b>		REPORT MADE BY <b>[REDACTED]</b>	TYPED BY <b>cah</b>
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REFERENCES:

Report of SA **[REDACTED]** 6/17/64, at Dallas.  
San Francisco letter to Bureau, 9/15/64.

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**AT DALLAS, TEXAS.** Will further report any pertinent  
information received from established sources concerning subject.

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ADMINISTRATIVE:

A copy of this report is being furnished by separate cover letter to [Redacted] U. S. Bureau of Customs, Post Office Box 61125, Houston, Texas, in accordance with previous Bureau instructions contained in Bureau letter to Director, Investigations Division, Office of Export Control, Bureau of International Commerce, Department of Commerce, Washington, D. C., dated 6/26/64, captioned [Redacted] IS - CUBA", Bufile 105-127972.

The period shown in instant report of 3/20/64, which overlaps period in two previous reports resulted from that information not being received by the Dallas Office until 5/6/64. (Legat. Mexico City letter to Bureau, 4/23/64, captioned [Redacted] IS - CUBA".

Letterhead memoranda dated 12/20/63, and 8/19/64, concerning HAROLD WALLACE TOTTEN, SR., have been disseminated to Secret Service, Dallas, in connection with "TROPUS", Bufile 62-109119.

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Office: Dallas, Texas

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Title: HAROLD WALLACE TOTTEN, SR.

Character: INTERNAL SECURITY - CUBA

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Synopsis:

An employee of Washington Iron Works, Inc., Sherman, Texas, of which firm subject is president, advised he has no information that subject or [redacted] employed by that firm, have engaged in activities detrimental to the United States. He recalled that [redacted] in the past expressed opinion that NIKITA KHRUSHCHEV and FIDEL CASTRO were "good fellows" and subject 2 or 3 years ago expressed belief that Russia has a good form of government. He understood from rumor that subject [redacted] in about the summer of 1963 and in April or May, 1964, made trips to Mexico, purpose unknown, and, shortly after they returned from second alleged trip, he heard [redacted] mention he had been to Mexico. Confidential sources abroad advised files of Mexican Department of Immigration contained no information identifiable with HAROLD WALLACE TOTTEN, SR. or [redacted]

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[redacted] advised HAROLD W. TOTTEN, SR., still is president and general manager of Washington Iron Works, Inc., Sherman, Texas; that [redacted] still works there as [redacted]

Informant advised TOTTEN and [redacted] have not, in the past few weeks, been heard by informant to make any comments about KHRUSHCHEV or FIDEL CASTRO, or about Cuba. So far as informant knew they had made no trips out of the United States since about April, 1964, when they went to Mexico.

Informant stated TOTTEN and [redacted] in about May, 1964, had some kind of a disagreement between themselves, nature unknown, and for several days did not act friendly to each other. The only customer TOTTEN's firm has in Mexico was said to be [redacted] Coahuila, Mexico.

TOTTEN [redacted] have not, in the past few weeks, been heard criticizing the United States Government, or President JOHNSON, as they had done in recent months.

Informant stated TOTTEN has a farm at Denison, Texas. [redacted]

[redacted] He said TOTTEN receives some mail under the assumed name of JOHN F. BRINKS at TOTTEN's farm at Route 3, Box 397, Denison, Texas. Informant advised there is no person named JOHN F. BRINKS; that this is a name used by TOTTEN in receiving some unidentified pamphlets and publications from time to time at Denison. TOTTEN was said to receive, by mail, occasionally magazines containing photos of nude women; that TOTTEN is not distributing any such material, but apparently receives it only for his own perusal.

Informant has no information that TOTTEN or [redacted] have engaged in any activities detrimental to the United States.

on 6/19/64 at Sherman, TexasFile # 105-817by Special Agent [redacted] /jegDate dictated 6/25/64

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[redacted] on September 17, 1964, advised HAROLD W. TOTTON, SR. and [redacted] both of Washington Iron Works, Inc., Sherman, Texas, have engaged in no recent pertinent activities so far as informant knows.

The April, 1964 Denison, Texas, telephone directory lists H. W. TOTTON, Des Voigne Road, Denison, Texas, telephone HO 5-1097.

[redacted] Sherman, Texas, on September 17, 1964, advised SA [redacted] he has received no recent pertinent information concerning subject; that he has no information indicating HAROLD W. TOTTON, SR. and [redacted] have engaged in any activities detrimental to the United States.

1Date June 29, 1964

[ ] advised H. W. TOTTON, who operates Washington Iron Works, Inc., Sherman, Texas, has owned a farm for several years on Des Voigne Road, in the edge of Denison, Texas, where he possibly raises horses. [ ] unknown to informant.

Informant stated he has no information that TOTTON [ ] receive any mail at Denison, Texas, under any assumed names. He stated that JOHN F. BRINKS and H. W. TOTTON receive mail at TOTTON's farm at Route 3, Box 397, Denison. He has no information concerning anyone named THOMAS E. EDWARDS.

Informant stated he has no specific information, but heard rumors several years ago that H. W. TOTTON, mentioned above, might be a homosexual. Informant has no information that TOTTON has any arrest record, has traveled outside, or communicated with anyone outside the United States, or has engaged in any activities detrimental to the United States.

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[redacted] advised he is employed as [redacted] by Washington Iron Works, Inc., Sherman, Texas. He stated HAROLD WALLACE TOTTEN, SR. is president of that company and [redacted] also known as [redacted] is employed by that firm as [redacted]

[redacted] advised both TOTTEN and [redacted] in recent years have been anti-Semitic and anti-Negro in their views and operations. He could not recall any of their specific remarks in that regard. He remembered that several years ago, possibly 5 or 6 years ago, TOTTEN had in his possession on a few occasions considerable amounts of anti-Semitic and anti-Negro literature, exact description of which he does not remember. He recalls seeing some of it on one or two occasions contained in cardboard boxes. He stated he has not seen such literature in TOTTEN's possession, however, during the past 2 or 3 years. [redacted] has no information indicating either TOTTEN or [redacted] have belonged to any particular organization with respect to their anti-Semitic and anti-Negro views.

[redacted] recalled that about two years ago he heard [redacted] at their place of employment, express an opinion that NIKITA KHRUSHCHEV of Russia and FIDEL CASTRO of Cuba are "good fellows". He said this was at the time CASTRO had already taken over Cuba. He further remembered that two or three years ago TOTTEN made certain remarks, which he cannot now remember exactly, which was to the effect that TOTTEN thought Russia had a good form of government.

In the past [redacted] understood TOTTEN and [redacted] in about April or May, 1964, made a trip of short duration to Mexico. Shortly after they were supposed to have made that trip he heard [redacted] remark that he had been to Mexico. He does not recall any particular remarks by TOTTEN in his presence concerning a trip to Mexico in about the summer of 1963. He does not know why they went to Mexico and does not know where they went there. He said Washington Iron Works Inc. does some work for a company in Mexico, name unknown, which business is handled through a broker by the name [redacted] exact address unknown. He does not know whether they have traveled on any other occasions outside of the United States. He stated he has no information that would

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specifically indicate TOTTEN or [ ] have engaged in any activities detrimental to the United States. He stated however, he has been suspicious because of their trip to Mexico, nature of which was unknown to him, because of their past expressions concerning Russia and Cuba, and because of their extremist views concerning minority groups.



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[redacted] confidential source abroad, on March 20, 1964, and July 26, 1964, advised no information identifiable with H. W. TOTTEN [redacted] had been found in the files of the Mexican Department of Immigration.

[redacted] Immigration and Naturalization Service (INS), San Francisco, California, on September 4, 1964, made available to SA [redacted] for examination, rolls of microfilm on which passenger manifest data had been recorded concerning airline flights departing from San Antonio, Texas, to Mexico City, which included passengers boarding at Dallas, Texas.

It was noted that the microfilm INS forms 1-94 were in many instances illegible. A record was found pertaining to Braniff Airlines flight #51 which departed from San Antonio at 12:35 PM, April 26, 1964, which reflected a passenger named HAROLD W. TOTTEN was aboard. He was shown as a United States citizen having a passport #Z 189561 and his address was shown as 204 West (street illegible), Sherman, Texas. There was no other information available concerning TOTTEN. The manifest for that flight contained the name of another person, name illegible, whose address was shown as R.F.D. Sherman, Texas. Other than being shown as a United States citizen, no other information appeared concerning that person.

The microfilm rolls for airlines flights from Mexico City for April 27, 28 and 30, 1964, for Braniff, American, and CMA, were reviewed and found to contain no data identifiable with TOTTEN [redacted]. It was noted that many of the I-94 forms however were not legible. The microfilm rolls for departure from Dallas, Texas, on January 6 and 7, 1964, as well as concerning arrivals from Mexico City at Dallas, on January 9 and 10, 1964, were reviewed and no passengers were noted who could be identified with TOTTEN [redacted].



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Title HAROLD WALLACE TOTTEN, SR.

CHARACTER INTERNAL SECURITY - CUBA

REFERENCE Report of Special Agent  
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All sources (except any listed below) whose identities are concealed in referenced communication have furnished reliable information in the past.

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<sup>1032</sup> DIRECTOR, FBI

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Rerep SA [ ] dated 9/28/64, at Dallas.

Enclosed herewith for the Bureau are 9 copies of referenced report.

No further specific investigation remains to be conducted within the Dallas Division.

It is noted Legat, Mexico City letter to Bureau dated 7/31/64, concerning subject TOTTEN stated [ ] will, after a suitable lapse of time, be asked to re-check records of the Mexican Department of Immigration to locate travel documents utilized by TOTTEN [ ] during their travel to Mexico. It is also to be noted that copies of all investigative reports and pertinent letterhead memorandum concerning TOTTEN [ ] have been designated to U. S. Bureau of Customs, Houston, Texas.

The Dallas Office contemplates in the future requesting Bureau authority to interview [ ] TOTTEN.

It is suggested that the Bureau request Legat, Mexico City to complete its checks with [ ] It is also suggested the Bureau consider determining from the appropriate government agency in Washington, D. C., whether the U. S. Bureau of Customs has any objection to interviews with TOTTEN [ ] since that agency may be conducting investigation.

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Upon receipt of further information from the Bureau concerning these two matters the Dallas Office plans to request Bureau authority to interview TOTEN [redacted] Any interviews with them of course, would be conducted in such a manner [redacted]

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**SYNOPSIS:**

Subject   obtained Mexican tourist cards in Dallas, Texas, 4/26/64, entered Mexico via Braniff Airways, flight #51, 4/26/64, and departed Mexico on 4/29/64, on Braniff flight #50. Background information set out.

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22, 1964: [ ] furnished the following information on September

[ ] obtained Mexican tourist card [ ]  
[ ] at the Braniff Airways Office in Dallas, Texas, on  
April 26, 1964.

HAROLD W. TOTTEN obtained Mexican tourist card FM-8,  
#345455 at the Braniff Airways Office on April 26, 1964.

[ ]  
[ ] Sherman, Texas.

TOTTEN stated that he was 64 years old, married, and  
had his permanent residence at 204 Texas, Sherman, Texas.

[ ] TOTTEN entered Mexico at the International  
Airport, Mexico City, on April 26, 1964, on Braniff Airways  
Flight #51.

[ ] TOTTEN departed Mexico at International  
Airport, Mexico City, on April 29, 1964, on Braniff Airways  
Flight #50 en route to Dallas, Texas.

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE  
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

WASHINGTON 25, D. C.

September 29, 1964

HAROLD WALLACE TOTTEN, SR.

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# Memorandum

TO :

DIRECTOR, FBI (100-431876)

DATE: 12/4/64

SUBJECT:

SAC, DALLAS (105-817) (P)

HAROLD WALLACE TOTTEN, SR. aka  
IS - CUBA

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Re Dallas letter to Bureau dated 9/28/64.

All logical investigation to date has been completed concerning subject and pertinent data has been included in reports suitable for dissemination. Bureau authorization is being sought to interview subject. In a separate communication under the caption [redacted] aka, IS - CUBA" (Bufile 105-127972), authority to interview [redacted] is also being requested. TOTTEN [redacted] Washington Iron Works, Inc., Sherman, Texas.

Pertinent data concerning TOTTEN is submitted as follows:

Bureau authority is requested to interview HAROLD WALLACE TOTTEN, SR., in accordance with existing instructions relating to interviews of security subjects. Care will be exercised to protect the original source in this matter.

[redacted]

If TOTTEN is (S) cooperative, no affirmative steps will be taken during the initial interview to direct his activities, but a separate communication will be directed to the Bureau setting forth the results of the interview and requesting authority to recontact TOTTEN as a potential security informant or double agent, if the Dallas Office considers same warranted.

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Transmitted to [redacted]  
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JRW: [redacted]

Letter Dallas  
12/14/64  
JRW: [redacted]

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1. ~~HAROLD WALLACE TOTTEN~~, SR., is a United States citizen, having been born on 2/4/1900, Sherman, Texas. He resides at 204 West Texas Avenue, Sherman, Texas. He is employed as President and General Manager of Washington Iron Works, Inc., Sherman.

II Subject is married [redacted]

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[Redacted] (S)

Investigation has disclosed that [Redacted] TOTTEN traveled from Dallas, Texas, to Mexico City, on 4/26/64, and returned to Dallas on 4/29/64, all by air. The purpose of their travel at that time is unknown.

No information has been developed indicating [Redacted] or TOTTEN have traveled to the Soviet Union. TOTTEN [Redacted] [Redacted] however, were on 4/29/60, issued passports for two weeks travel to the Soviet Union, business being listed as purpose of that travel.

IV. No information has been developed indicating TOTTEN has ever engaged in any Communist Party (CP) activities or specifically has engaged in any activities detrimental to the United States. Subject, between 1954 and 1963, according to several individuals, was engaged in anti-Semitic activities and during portions of that period had association with representatives of the National States Rights Party, Christian Educational Association, Union, New Jersey, and contributed to the National Renaissance Party. TOTTEN [Redacted] [Redacted] have the reputation of being "extreme conservatives", both being anti-integration and anti-Semitic in their views. In 1958 they attended at least one meeting of an anti-Semitic group in Dallas. On 8/30/58, an individual believed identical with TOTTEN attended the national convention of the National States Rights Party at Louisville, Kentucky.

V. No past or present subversive activities or connections on the part [Redacted] are known.

VI. It is not known that subject has any particular informant or double agent potentialities.

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VII. No reason is known why an interview with subject should not be conducted. It is believed an interview with subject is necessary in order to determine if he has engaged in any intelligence activities for any foreign country, or knows of anyone else who has engaged in any such activities against the United States. It is believed, therefore, that he should be interviewed to determine his current sympathies, whether cooperative with the FBI, and whether he will volunteer any information concerning activities of himself or others that would be pertinent to the internal security of the United States.

It is noted subject was interviewed on 9/30/59, by Special Agents of the FBI concerning scurrilous and untrue statements which he allegedly had made concerning the Director of the FBI. Results of that interview are shown in Dallas airtel to Bureau, 9/30/59.

VIII. It is believed an interview with subject would reveal whether he has engaged in any intelligence activities against the United States; [REDACTED]

Efforts will be made to interview subject at his home or between his place of employment and his home without prior notice being given. Interviews [REDACTED] (if interview is authorized concerning [REDACTED] requested in separate communication) and TOTTEN will be conducted separately and under as secure conditions as possible. If interview with either of them indicates an interview with the other would not be logical, the second interview will be held in abeyance and Bureau advised.

It is contemplated that interview with TOTTEN will be started on the basis of his travel to Mexico, known from his air transportation. If he appears hostile, no specific questions will be asked, and the interview will be terminated. If he appears willing to discuss his travels out of the United States, he will be allowed to volunteer full details concerning his activities in any foreign country and concerning his contacts with representatives of any foreign country.

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1 - Mr. Belmont  
1 - Mr. Sullivan  
1 - Mr. Wannall  
1 - [redacted]

SAC, Dallas

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Director, FBI

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Reurlets 12-1-64 re [redacted] and 12-4-64 re Totten.

You are authorized to interview subjects in accordance with existing instructions relating to interviews of security subjects. Care should be exercised to protect the original source in this matter.

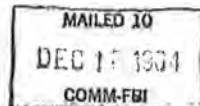
[redacted]  
If either subject is cooperative, no (S) affirmative steps should be taken during the initial interview to direct their activities. A separate communication should be directed to the Bureau setting forth the results of the interview and requesting authority to recontact the subjects as potential security informants or double agents.

These interviews should be conducted by mature and experienced agents and in view of Totten's background, your contact with him should be most circumspect.

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**NOTE:**

See cover memo W. R. Wannall to W. C. Sullivan, same caption, dated 12-14-64, JRW:wlm.



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Memorandum

1 - Mr. Belmont  
1 - Mr. W.C. Sullivan  
1 - Mr. W.R. Wannall  
1 - [redacted]

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TO : Mr. W. C. Sullivan

DATE: 12-14-64

FROM : Mr. W. R. Wannall

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[redacted] (S)

Totten is a United States citizen and President and General Manager of Washington Iron Works, Inc. Sherman, Texas. [redacted] believed to be a United States citizen and [redacted] No information has been developed indicating either is in other than good health. [redacted]

[redacted]  
[redacted] (S)

We have developed no information indicating either subject has been engaged in subversive activities, although, during July and August, 1963, [redacted] received Chinese procommunist publications. Both subjects have a reputation of being extreme conservatives and being anti-integration and anti-semitic in their views.

During 1959, we received information that Totten made certain scurrilous remarks about the Director, however, when interviewed denied ever having made such statements.

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Memo: Wannall to Sullivan  
RE: HAROLD WALLACE TOTTEN, SR.  
105-431876  
[redacted]  
105-127972

Dallas proposes subjects will be interviewed separately and under secure conditions. Both interviews will be initiated on the basis of their travel to Mexico which has been verified [redacted] Care will be exercised to protect the original source [redacted] (S)

[redacted] (S)  
If either subject is cooperative, no affirmative steps will be taken during the initial interview to direct their activities.

Interview of subjects is most logical step to determine whether further investigation of subjects is warranted [redacted] (S)

Interview may also reveal whether either has potential for furnishing intelligence-type information.

ACTION:

If you approve attached letter will be sent Dallas authorizing its interview of subjects in line with Dallas's proposal.

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Memorandum

1 - Mr. Belmont  
1 - Mr. Mohr

TO : W. C. Sullivan DATE: February 2, 1965

FROM : W. R. Wannall

SUBJECT: HAROLD WALLACE TOTTEN, SR.  
INTERNAL SECURITY - CUBA

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1 - Mr. DeLoach  
1 - Mr. N.P. Callahan  
1 - Mr. Sullivan  
1 - Mr. Wannall

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Bureau has received letter from Totten setting forth certain allegations against Bureau Agents which are not true. We should set the record straight by replying to the letter.

In a provocative and demanding letter dated 1/29/65 Totten, president of the Washington Iron Works, Inc., Sherman, Texas, has made following accusations and claims:

Two men claiming to be FBI Agents but exhibiting no identifying cards on 1/28/65 endeavored to interview Totten during his lunch period at home. He declined and told them he would be available in his office later in the day. They departed but approached him later on his front porch as he was leaving his house and were insistent on an interview. He learned that a business associate had been "harassed" by these same two men, who gave their names as [redacted] (who are Agents of our Dallas Office). He asked the sheriff to locate the two men for an interview but the sheriff was not successful. He claims to be available for interview at his office any week day. Considering himself a "tax-paying, law-abiding, and loyal citizen," he intends to follow through with every means at his command to determine why he is being "harassed." He feels someone in authority in the FBI owes him an explanation and expects an immediate reply to his letter.

[redacted] Our investigation shows they are both egotistical individuals, having the reputation of being extreme conservatives and being anti-integration and anti-Semitic in their views. [redacted] the recipient of pro-Chinese Communist literature. We interviewed Totten in 1959 after he reportedly made scurrilous remarks about the Director. He denied this on interview.

We are in receipt of airtel from Dallas dated 1/29/65 advising that Totten indicated he might communicate with the Bureau.

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Memorandum for Mr. Sullivan  
Re: HAROLD WALLACE TOTTEN, SR.  
100-431876

On 12/15/64 after field had completed its investigation in this matter, Bureau authorized interviews of both Totten [redacted] in accordance with instructions relating to interviews in security cases. These instructions preclude interviews at a person's office unless specifically authorized by Bureau to avoid a trap wherein interviews could be recorded. From our review of the information furnished by Dallas, it is evident Bureau instructions were being carried out in endeavoring to interview both Totten [redacted]

It is evident the Dallas Office considered interviewing Totten at his office because Dallas has reported that [redacted] of Sherman, Texas, told Special Agent [redacted] [redacted] further said [redacted] [redacted] is friendly toward the Bureau and apparently made this comment intending to safeguard the Agents.

Totten is type of individual whose letters we should normally ignore. However, he has made some accusations against our Agents which are totally without foundation (for example, that he was harassed; that the Agents did not identify themselves by name or credentials, et cetera) and we feel we should set the record straight with him and let him know the Agents have our full support. It seems he is quite worried now and is desirous of being interviewed under terms he lays down to find out what our interest is in him.

ACTION:

If you approve, the attached letter will be sent Totten pointing out that we have developed no information indicating he was subjected to harassment by Bureau Agents; that we are discontinuing efforts to interview him; and if he desires to furnish information to us he may call at our Dallas Office. Necessary instructions in this connection are being issued to our Dallas Office.

[redacted] Secret Service is being notified concerning both Totten and [redacted] and we are considering them for inclusion on the Security Index.

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REFERENCE: Report of SA  Dallas,  
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One copy of this report is being disseminated to U. S. Bureau of Customs, Houston, Texas, with separate cover letter in accord with previous Bureau instructions contained in Bureau letter to Director, Investigations Division, Office of Export Control, Bureau of International Commerce, Department of Commerce, Washington, D.C., dated 6/26/64, captioned [redacted] IS - CUBA." Bufile 105-127972. That agency is also being furnished one xerox copy of the letterhead memorandum captioned, "HAROLD WALLACE TOTEN, SR.", Washington, D.C., September 29, 1964, which is the report of SA [redacted] Mexico DF, 9/29/64, less cover pages.

Instant report is classified confidential because data attributed to [redacted] if disclosed, could possibly compromise a highly confidential source, which could result in detriment to the internal security. (San Francisco letter to Bureau, 9/10/63, captioned "CHIPROP, IS - CH", Bufile 100-394984, and [redacted] IS - CH" contains instructions concerning classification of material emanating from [redacted] Dallas file 105-1642-4).

Review of this case reflects all logical investigation has been completed. No additional investigation, therefore, is contemplated. This case is being closed, UACB.

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Houston, TexasReport of:  
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1/29/65

Office: DALLAS

Field Office File No.: 105-817

Bureau File No.: 100-431876

Title: HAROLD WALLACE TOTTEN, SR.

Character: INTERNAL SECURITY - CUBA

## Synopsis:

Subject [REDACTED]

of Washington Iron Works, Inc., Sherman, Texas) were both approached, separately, at their residences at Sherman, Texas, by Special Agents of the FBI on 1/28/65, for interview. [REDACTED] declined to be interviewed at that time and place. [REDACTED] could be interviewed in company of one other person, stating "there are two of you." Subject declined to be interviewed at his residence, but stated he could be interviewed at his office. No further efforts were made toward interviewing either of them. Subject, on 1/28/65, after being approached for interview, contacted [REDACTED] at Sherman, Texas, advising subject insists upon being interviewed by FBI Agents at his office. [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] on 1/29/65, at Sherman, telephonically contacted one of Agents who attempted to interview him on previous day, claimed harrassment, and wanted to know, "what" all about."

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[redacted] at 11:45 AM, was contacted at his residence in the West edge of Sherman, [redacted]. He had just arrived at his home and as he drove up in his pickup truck, he stopped at his outdoor mail box, facing the highway, and picked up his mail. Agents identified themselves to him and advised him they would like to speak to him privately and confidentially. He and Agents entered the automobile of Agents for interview. He gave his full name, stating his middle name is [redacted] and that his address is [redacted] Sherman. He was advised by Agents that they understood he had traveled outside of the United States, and they wanted to talk to him concerning such travel. He immediately stated he did not want to be interviewed without another person being present, stating "there are two of you." He said he would be willing to be interviewed but only in the presence of another person with him. He suggested the possibility of agents coming to his place of employment (Washington Iron Works, Inc., Sherman, Texas), for the interview. He said he has no particular other person in mind to be with him. While stating these things, [redacted] had in his hands some mail he had received from his outdoor mailbox as he arrived at his residence. Of his own volition, he exhibited one of those items. SA [redacted] at that point advised [redacted] of his right to make no comment whatever, if he desired; that any statement made by him could possibly be used against him in a court of law, and that he had the right to consult an attorney if he desired. It was pointed out that any information furnished by him would be of his own volition. It was an envelope addressed to him from [redacted] China Publications Centre, P.O. Box 399, Peking, China." He stated that piece of mail received by him contained a weekly Red China newspaper that he receives. He volunteered that he also receives "New Times," a weekly publication from Moscow, U.S.S.R. He said he receives these and other publications, which he did not identify, in order to keep informed. He did not elaborate upon the meaning of that comment.

on 1/28/65 at Sherman, Texas File # DL 105-817by Special Agent [redacted] & [redacted] Date dictated 2/3/65

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After volunteering the above remarks [redacted] reiterated that he had nothing to say to Agents except in the presence of another person. He wrote down the names of Agents and the fact that SA [redacted] is stationed at Sherman, Texas, and [redacted] at Dallas, Texas. The interview was terminated at 11:53 AM, with no indication being given that any further attempt would be made to interview him at any place.

[redacted] Physical description of [redacted]  
[redacted] as obtained by observation and interview is  
as follows:

Race	White
Sex	Male
Age	[redacted]
Height	5'8" or 9"
Weight	About 165 pounds
Hair	Light brown, cut short
Eyes	Blue
Complexion	Medium

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Dallas [ ] in August, 1963, advised [ ]  
[ ] Sherman, Texas, had been contacted by  
a representative [ ] Exporters and  
Importers of books and periodicals in Peking,  
China. [ ] in accord with instructions  
[ ] forwarded to him a copy of "Peking  
Review" with a request he recommend this magazine  
to acquaintances in the United States, who may be  
interested in subscribing to it.

Dallas [ ] in July, 1963, advised "Peking Review"  
is a pro-Chinese Communist magazine, published in  
the English language in Peking, China.

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Date 2/9/651

HAROLD WALLACE TOTTEEN, SR., 204 West Texas, Sherman, was contacted at that address, his residence, at 12:05 PM. Agents identified themselves to him and asked to speak to him privately and confidentially. He replied that he was then eating his lunch, and did not want to have his lunch interfered with. Agents inquired if he would allow Agents to talk to him immediately after he completed his lunch, and he replied that he would.

Agents waited outside his residence in their automobile until 12:45 PM when TOTTEEN appeared in the front door of his residence, indicating he had completed his lunch. Agents proceeded to the front porch of his residence. On his front porch, TOTTEEN stated he would not be interviewed by Agents in his home, and would not be interviewed in the automobile of the Agents. The only place he would be interviewed was his office at Washington Iron Works, Inc., Sherman, Texas. He stated Agents had no right to come to his home to see him. He invited Agents to come to his office at 1:30 PM if they desired to interview him. He was informed Agents wanted to speak to him in privacy, and no indication was given to him that Agents would contact him later at his office. He was advised that it was his privilege not to be interviewed at his home if he so desired; that Agents would consider the interview terminated. The interview, therefore, was terminated at 12:48 PM.

Physical description of HAROLD WALLACE TOTTEEN, SR., as obtained by observation, is as follows:

Race	White
Sex	Male
Age	About 60
Height	About 5'10"
Weight	About 170 - 180 pounds
Hair	Dark, greying, has mustache
Complexion	Medium, dark
Eyes	Dark

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by Special Agent  &  Date dictated 2/3/65

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Date 2/9/651

[redacted] Sherman, Texas  
at about 4:10 PM, notified SA [redacted]  
that HAROLD WALLACE TOTTEN, SR., had telephoned  
his office three times trying to contact two FBI  
Agents who had been at his home during the lunch  
hour and insisted on talking with him at his home.  
TOTTEN told him he had refused to be interviewed  
there but had told Agents he could be interviewed  
at his office at 1:30 PM. TOTTEN told [redacted] he is  
not a criminal and stated he demands to talk to  
Agents and insisted that it will be in his office.  
TOTTEN further told [redacted] that if Agents did not  
interview him at his office, that he intended to get  
in touch with "their headquarters" and demand that  
the Agents interview him at his office. [redacted]  
later that day, stated TOTTEN again called him and  
asked if [redacted] had been able to contact the Agents.  
He said when [redacted] got in touch with Agents, TOTTEN  
wanted to talk to Agents in TOTTEN's office and he  
desired [redacted] to accompany them. [redacted]  
replied he knows nothing about this matter and saw  
no reason for him to accompany the FBI Agents.  
TOTTEN told [redacted] that if he could not contact the  
Agents, for [redacted] himself to come see him. [redacted]  
told him he saw no reason to see TOTTEN as he does not  
know what the matter is about.

TOTTEN inquired of [redacted] if the Sherman  
phone number he had for SA [redacted]  
residence phone. [redacted] commented that TOTTEN, in  
[redacted]  
[redacted]  
Agent to contact TOTTEN at TOTTEN's office, that if  
[redacted]

[redacted] requested to refer TOTTEN to the  
FBI Office, Dallas, Texas, if he continued calling him.

on 1/28/65 at Sherman, Texas File # DL 105-817

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[redacted]  
West, Sherman, at 8:05 AM January 29, 1965 tele-  
phonically contacted SA [redacted] at  
Sherman, and inquired as to "what this is all about."  
[redacted] told him he was in <sup>not</sup> a position to discuss  
the matter; that it was a matter being handled by  
SA [redacted] in headquarters, Dallas, Texas.  
[redacted] stated he has been an upstanding citizen of  
the United States all of his life and has served  
honorably in the United States Forces; that he thought  
it is "terrible to be harrassed like this." He said  
he is still willing to discuss the matter with Agents  
and wants to know "what it is all about." At one  
point, he used the word, "we", but did not identify what  
he meant by "we." He then stated he knew what Agents  
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is too much trifling with people's rights. He concluded  
by stating he intended on "going on up the ladder with  
this." He was informed that this was his privilege  
if he desired to do so.

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on 1/29/65 at Sherman, Texas File # DL 105-817  
by Special Agent [redacted] /ss [redacted] Date dictated 2/3/65

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE  
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Dallas, Texas  
February 9, 1965

Title	HAROLD WALLACE TOTTEN, SR.
Character	INTERNAL SECURITY - CUBA
Reference	Report of Special Agent [redacted] at Dallas dated February 9, 1965.

All sources (except any listed below) whose identities are concealed in referenced communication have furnished reliable information in the past.

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Date: 1/29/65

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(Priority)

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI  
 FROM: SAC, DALLAS  
 SUBJECT: HAROLD WALLACE TOTTEN, SR. aka.  
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 OO: DALLAS  
 Bufile 100-431876  
 Dallas 105-817 (P)

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[redacted] aka.  
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 Bufile 105-127972  
 Dallas 105-1642 (P)

Title has been marked changed concerning subject

name was previously shown as [redacted] His

Re Bureau letter to Dallas, 12/15/64, concerning  
 both captioned individuals.

SAs [redacted]  
 1/28/65, approached subject [redacted] at Sherman, Texas, as he  
 arrived at his home for lunch. Agents identified themselves  
 to him and he got in the Bureau car for interview, having been  
 advised that agents would like to talk to him privately and  
 confidentially. He gave his name [redacted]

[redacted] Sherman, Texas.  
 He was advised agents understood he had traveled some outside  
 the United States and wanted to talk to him concerning such travel.

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Approved: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Special Agent in Charge

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January 29, 1965

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Mr. Belmont	
Mr. Mohr	
Mr. Casper	
Mr. Callahan	
Mr. Conrad	
Mr. Felt	
Mr. Gale	
Mr. Rosen	
Mr. Sullivan	
Mr. Tavel	
Mr. Trotter	
Tele. Room	
Mr. Holmes	
Miss Gandy	

Federal Bureau of Investigation  
Justice Department  
Washington, D. C.

Gentlemen: HAROLD WALLACE TOTTER SR

On Thursday, January 28, 1965, at 12:10 p.m., shortly after arriving home for lunch, I responded to a knock on the door to find two men with brief cases who introduced themselves as agents of the F.B.I. They gave me no idea regarding the purpose of their mission, only insisting they wanted to talk with me privately in my home. I refused them admittance, one reason being my time was limited and I informed them time would be available in my office after one o'clock. They left the front porch while I returned to my lunch and after the normal noontime period, I started to leave home and met the same two men leaving their parked car to again meet me on the front porch. They were insistent on my letting them in for a discussion of undisclosed nature. Again I informed them they could follow me to my place of business where we could have as much time as they required to discuss whatever they had on their minds. Never once did the men introduce themselves other than as being F.B.I. agents; no identifying cards were presented, nor did they divulge their intentions. They drove away in their car, I returned to my office where a friend who is associated with me in business and who had also been harassed by these same two men immediately prior to their calling on me, gave me their names as [redacted] of the Sherman F.B.I. office and [redacted] of the Dallas office who was the spokesman.

A short while after returning to my office to find they had not shown up for the interview, I informed our Sheriff of the situation. He informed me he would put an all-out alert over the radio in an attempt to locate them for the interview about which they had seemed so concerned. There was no response to this alert through Thursday as I checked with the Sheriff's office several times.

I have no way of forcing issues, but I intend to follow this through with every means at my command in order to find out why

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to Sullivan-w/enc.  
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WRW/Williams

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He immediately said he did not want to be interviewed without another person being present, stating, "There are two of you." He said he would be willing to be interviewed but only in the presence of another person with him. He suggested the possibility of agents coming to his place of employment (Washington Iron Works, Inc., Sherman, Texas), for the interview. He said he has no particular other person in mind to be with him. While stating these things, [ ] had in his hands some mail he had received from his outdoor mailbox as he arrived at his residence. Of his own volition, he exhibited one of those items. It was an envelope addressed to him from [ ] China Publications Centre, P. O. Box 399, Peking, China". He stated that piece of mail received by him contained a weekly Red China newspaper that he receives. He volunteered that he also receives "New Times", a weekly publication from Moscow, U. S. S. R. He said he receives these and other publications, which he did not identify, in order to keep informed. He did not elaborate upon the meaning of that comment.

After volunteering the above remarks, [ ] reiterated that he had nothing to say to agents except in the presence of another person. He wrote down the names of agents and the fact that SA [ ] is stationed at Sherman, Texas, and [ ] at Dallas, Texas. The interview was terminated with no indication being given that any further attempt would be made to interview him at any place.

Immediately following the above attempted interview, SAs [ ] located HAROLD WALLACE TOTTEN, SR. at his residence at 204 W. Texas, Sherman. Agents identified themselves to him and asked to speak to him privately and confidentially. He replied that he was then eating his lunch and did not want to have his lunch interfered with. Agents inquired if he would allow agents to talk to him immediately after he completed his lunch and he replied that he would. Several minutes later he appeared at the front door of his residence indicating he had completed his lunch. Agents proceeded to the front porch of his residence. He immediately stated he would not be interviewed by agents in his home; that he would not be interviewed in the agent's automobile and the only place that he would be interviewed was his office. He stated agents had no right to come to his home to see him. He invited agents to come to his office at 1:30 P.M. if they desired. He was informed that agents wanted to speak to him in

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Inasmuch as both subjects were hostile, no specific questions were asked of them. The original source in this matter was completely protected.

The Dallas Office contemplates no further effort toward trying to interview them. In the event they contact agents in the future, no effort will be made to interview them. They will be treated courteously and any information volunteered by them will be accepted. This airtel is furnished to the Bureau for information inasmuch as both subjects have indicated they may ~~take~~ take this matter up directly with FBI Headquarters.

Communications in forms ~~available~~ suitable for dissemination will be submitted under separate captions for each subject.

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SAC Shanklin, Dallas, advised that Agents did exhibit credentials to Totten; that they had no opportunity to discuss reason for contact; and that Totten not invited to office as there is no FBI office at Sherman, Texas. P.D. Catter



January 29, 1965

as a tax-paying, law-abiding, and loyal citizen of the United States, I am harassed in this manner. I feel that someone in authority in the bureau owes me some kind of explanation. I can be interviewed at my office on any week day from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. by appointment, but not in my home at noon or at night. The fact that I would be more or less humiliated in this manner is ironical and even ridiculous when our daily news is mostly of crime, corruption, even treason in high places which should keep these men busy without harassing law-abiding citizens.

I took the oath of allegiance to the flag and to the country for which it stands when I entered the armed forces during World War I. I took this oath seriously at the time and it still has the same meaning to me.

Having broken no laws, I insist the bureau cooperate in order to eliminate such unwarranted residence calls where there is a possibility of people in my community linking me with some criminal activity because of F.B.I. harassment. I expect an immediate reply to this letter.

Very truly yours,

*H. W. Totten*

H. W. Totten

HWT/ds

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1 - Mr. Wannall  
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February 3, 1965

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Mr. H. W. Totten  
Washington Iron Works, Incorporated  
Sherman, Texas

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Dear Sir:

I am in receipt of your letter of January 29, 1965,  
wherein you have made certain accusations against Agents of  
this Bureau.

In reviewing the facts in this matter, I have  
discovered no information indicating you were subjected to  
any harassment by our Agents. The attempt to interview you  
was undertaken with the full knowledge and concurrence of  
appropriate officials of this Bureau. In view of the attitude  
which you have adopted, I have instructed our Agents to make  
no further effort to conduct this interview.

If you have any information you desire to furnish  
the FBI, you may call at our Dallas Office which is located  
in Room 200, 1810 Commerce Street, Dallas, Texas.

Very truly yours,

J. Edgar Hoover

John Edgar Hoover  
Director

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Mr. H. W. Totten

NOTE FOR SAC, DALLAS:

Enclosed is a copy of letter received by Bureau from H. W. Totten dated 1/29/65.

In view of attitude adopted by Totten, you are instructed to make no further effort to interview him

[redacted] Should either Totten [redacted] contact the Dallas Office, you are authorized to accept any information which they may desire to furnish [redacted]

[redacted] Care should also be exercised to protect (S) the original source in this matter.

NOTE:

See cover memorandum dated 2/2/65, captioned "Harold Wallace Totten, Sr., [redacted] prepared by WRW:JRW:ams.

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DIRECTOR, FBI (105-127972)

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SAC, DALLAS (105-1642)(C)

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Re Dallas letter to Bureau, 11/30/64; and  
Dallas airtel to Bureau, 1/29/65.

Enclosed are nine copies of a letterhead  
memorandum which reflects results of investigation con-  
ducted at Sherman, Texas, on 1/28/65, by SAs [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] (stationed at Sherman, Texas) and [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] (stationed at Dallas, Texas). Interviews  
set forth in the enclosed memorandum with [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] HAROLD WALLACE TOTTEN, SR., [REDACTED] and  
contact [REDACTED] telephonically on 1/29/65, with  
SA [REDACTED] at Sherman, Texas, have been recorded  
previously on four FD 302's which have been included in  
the report of SA [REDACTED] at Dallas, dated  
2/9/65, captioned "HAROLD WALLACE TOTTEN, SR., aka, IS -  
CUBA", Bufile 100-431876, Dallas file 105-817.

The enclosed memorandum is classified ~~confidential~~  
because data attributed to [REDACTED] if disclosed, could  
possibly compromise a highly confidential source which  
could result in detriment to the internal security.

San Francisco letter to the Bureau, 9/10/63,  
captioned "CHIPROP, IS - CH, Bufile 100-394984 and  
[REDACTED] IS - CH" contains instructions concerning  
classification of material emanating from [REDACTED]  
Dallas file 105-1642-4.

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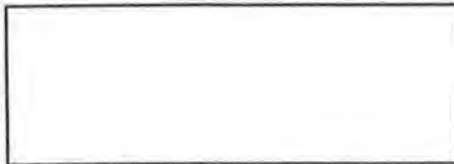
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One copy of the enclosed letterhead memorandum is being disseminated by separate cover letter to U. S. Bureau of Customs, Houston, Texas, in accord with previous Bureau instructions.

A review of this case reflects all logical investigation has been completed. No further action is contemplated, UACB.



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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Dallas, Texas  
February 18, 1965

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DECLASSIFIED BY SP2ALM/kj  
ON 4/27/01

RE: [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] at 11:45 a.m., January 28, 1965, was contacted by Special Agents of the Federal Bureau of Investigation at his residence in the west edge of Sherman, Texas, [REDACTED]. He had just arrived at his home and as he drove up in his pickup truck, he stopped at his outdoor mail box, facing the highway, and picked up his mail. Agents identified themselves to him and advised him they would like to speak to him privately and confidentially. He and Agents entered the automobile of Agents for interview. He gave his full name, stating his middle name is [REDACTED] and that his address is [REDACTED] Sherman. He was advised by Agents that they understood he had traveled outside of the United States, and they wanted to talk to him concerning such travel. He immediately stated he did not want to be interviewed without another person being present, stating "there are two of you." He said he would be willing to be interviewed but only in the presence of another person with him. He suggested the possibility of agents coming to his place of employment (Washington Iron Works, Inc., Sherman, Texas), for the interview. He said he has no particular other person in mind to be with him. While stating these things, [REDACTED] had in his hands some mail he had received from his outdoor mailbox as he arrived at his residence. Of his own volition, he exhibited one of those items. One of the agents of the Federal Bureau of Investigation at that point advised [REDACTED] of his right to make no comment whatever, if he desired; that any statement made by him could possibly be used against him in a court of law, and that he had the right to consult an attorney if he desired.

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RE: [redacted]

It was pointed out that any information furnished by him would be of his own volition. It was an envelope addressed to him from [redacted] China Publications Center, P.O. Box 399, Peking, China." He stated that piece of mail received by him contained a weekly Red China newspaper that he receives. He volunteered that he also receives "New Times," a weekly publication from Moscow, U.S.S.R. He said he receives these and other publications, which he did not identify, in order to keep informed. He did not elaborate upon the meaning of that comment.

After volunteering the above remarks, [redacted] reiterated that he had nothing to say to agents except in the presence of another person. He wrote down the names of the agents and the fact that one of them is stationed at Sherman, Texas, and the other at Dallas, Texas. The interview was terminated at 11:53 a.m. with no indication being given that any further attempt would be made to interview him at any place.

Physical description of [redacted] as obtained by observation and interview is as follows.

Race	White
Sex	Male
Age	[redacted]
Height	5'8" or 9"
Weight	About 165 pounds
Hair	Light brown, cut short
Eyes	Blue
Complexion	Medium

Dallas [redacted] who has furnished reliable information in the past. In August, 1963, advised [redacted] Sherman, Texas, had been contacted by a representative [redacted] Exporters and Importers of books and periodicals in Peking, China. [redacted] in accord with instructions from [redacted] forwarded to him a copy of "Peking Review" with a request he recommend this magazine to acquaintances in the United States, who may be interested in subscribing to it.

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RE: [REDACTED]

Dallas [REDACTED] who has furnished reliable information in the past, in July, 1963, advised "Peking Review" is a pro-Chinese Communist magazine, published in the English language in Peking, China.

Harold Wallace Totten, Sr., 204 West Texas, Sherman, Texas, at 12:05 p.m., January 28, 1965, was contacted at that address by Special Agents of the Federal Bureau of Investigation who identified themselves to him and asked to speak to him privately and confidentially. He replied that he was then eating his lunch, and did not want to have his lunch interfered with. Agents inquired if he would allow agents to talk to him immediately after he completed his lunch, and he replied that he would.

Agents waited outside his residence in their automobile until 12:45 p.m. when Totten appeared in the front door of his residence, indicating he had completed his lunch. Agents proceeded to the front porch of his residence. On his front porch, Totten stated he would not be interviewed by agents in his home, and would not be interviewed in the automobile of the agents. The only place he would be interviewed was his office at Washington Iron Works, Inc., Sherman, Texas. He stated agents had no right to come to his home to see him. He invited agents to come to his office at 1:30 p.m. if they desired to interview him. He was informed agents wanted to speak to him in privacy, and no indication was given to him that agents would contact him later at his office. He was advised that it was his privilege not to be interviewed at his home if he so desired; that agents would consider the interview terminated. The interview, therefore, was terminated at 12:48 p.m.

Physical description of Harold Wallace Totten, Sr., as obtained by observation, is as follows:

Race	White
Sex	Male
Age	About 60
Height	About 5'10"
Weight	About 170 - 180 pounds
Hair	Dark, greying, has mustache
Complexion	Medium, dark
Eyes	Dark

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RE: [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] Sherman, Texas, at about 4:10 p.m., January 28, 1965, contacted a Special Agent of the Federal Bureau of Investigation and notified him that Harold Wallace Totten, Sr. had telephoned his office three times that afternoon trying to contact the two Federal Bureau of Investigation Agents who had been at his home during the lunch hour and insisted on talking with him at his home. Totten told him he had refused to be interviewed there but had told agents he could be interviewed at his office at 1:30 p.m. Totten told [REDACTED] he is not a criminal and stated he demands to talk to agents and insisted that he will be in his office. Totten further told [REDACTED] that if agents did not interview him at his office, that he intended to get in touch with "their headquarters" and demand that the agents interview him at his office. [REDACTED] later that day, stated Totten again called him and asked if [REDACTED] had been able to contact the agents. He said when [REDACTED] got in touch with agents, Totten wanted to talk to agents in Totten's office and he desired [REDACTED] accompany them. [REDACTED] replied he knows nothing about this matter and saw no reason for him to accompany the Federal Bureau of Investigation Agents. Totten told [REDACTED] that if he could not contact the agents, for [REDACTED] himself to come see him. [REDACTED] told him he saw no reason to see Totten as he does not know what the matter is about.

Totten inquired of [REDACTED] if the Sherman telephone number he had for one of the agents is that agent's residence telephone. [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] requested to refer Totten to the Federal Bureau of Investigation Office, Dallas, Texas, if he continued calling him.

[REDACTED] Sherman, Texas, at 8:05 a.m., January 29, 1965, telephonically contacted the Special Agent of the Federal Bureau of Investigation who is stationed at Sherman and inquired as to "what this is all about". Agent told him he was in no position to discuss the matter;

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RE: [REDACTED]

that this matter was being handled from Headquarters, Dallas, Texas. He was furnished the name of a Special Agent at the Headquarters, Dallas. [REDACTED] stated he has been an upstanding citizen of the United States all of his life and has served honorably in the United States Forces; that he thought it is "terrible to be harrassed like this." He said he is still willing to discuss the matter with agents and wants to know "what it is all about." At one point, he used the word, "we", but did not identify what he meant by "we." He then stated he knew what agents did on January 28, 1965, immediately following their attempted interview with him. [REDACTED] there is too much trifling with people's rights. He concluded by stating he intended on "going on up the ladder with this." He was informed that this was his privilege if he desired to do so.

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Director, FBI (100-431876) - 2

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HAROLD WALLACE TOTTEN, SR.  
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[ ]  
[ ] authorized the dissemination of the (S)  
data set forth in enclosed letter to Department of State,  
Department of Justice, Bureau of International Commerce,  
and the three military intelligence agencies. [ ]

[ ] (S)

Submit information in the enclosed letter in report  
form. [ ]

[ ] you should submit (S)  
an FD-122 recommending subject's inclusion in the Cuban  
Special Section of the Security Index.

Enclosure

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NOTE: [ ]

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Director, FBI (Bufile-100-431876)

Date: 9/27/65

DALLAS

RE: HAROLD WALLACE TOTTEN, SR., aka  
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☒ It is recommended that a Security  
Index Card be prepared on the  
above-captioned individual.

☐ The Security Index Card on the  
captioned individual should be  
changed as follows (specify  
change only):

Name <b>HAROLD WALLACE TOTTEN, SR.</b>		CLASSIFIED BY <b>1045/AM/65/6027</b> DECLASSIFY ON: <b>25X 1</b>	
Aliases <b>b2</b> <b>BRINKS, JOHN F. BRINKS, THOMAS E. EDWARDS, MRS. PEARL</b>			
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Native Born		<input type="checkbox"/> Naturalized	<input type="checkbox"/> Alien
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Date of Birth <b>February 4, 1900</b>	Place of Birth <b>Sherman, Texas</b>		
Business Address (show name of employing concern and address) <b>President and General Manager, Washington Iron Works, Inc. 318 East Lamar, Sherman, Texas</b>			
Key Facility Data		REC-48/100-431876-29	
Geographical Reference Number		Responsibility	
Interested Agencies			
Residence Address <b>2505 West 16th Avenue, Sherman, Texas</b>			

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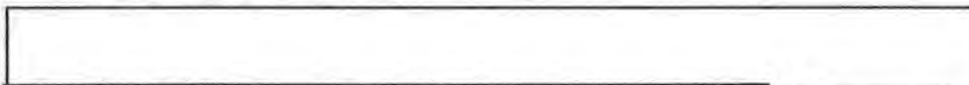
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TOTTEN between 4/26-29/64 made a trip to Mexico City, Mexico, reason unknown. In May, 1964 he reportedly criticized policies of the United States Government, and criticized the U.S. blockade of Cuba. In 1963 or early 1964 TOTTEN reportedly expressed belief that FIDEL CASTRO knew what he was doing and the U.S. should leave him alone.



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In 1956 TOTTEN, according to one person, expressed strong anti-semitic beliefs, as well as indicating he was anti-United Nations, anti-U.S. Government, and anti-communist. The person who furnished that information believed TOTTEN might be losing his mind, and is not a well balanced person. In 1958 TOTTEN made a talk anti-semitic in nature, and stated persons should be armed to protect themselves; that he always carries a gun in his car at all times.

[redacted] Sherman, Texas on 1/28/65 advised he considers TOTTEN [redacted]

Based upon the above information, it is recommended subject be included in the Cuban Special Section of the Security Index.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

# Memorandum

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI

FROM : SAC, DALLAS (25-NEW)

DATE: 9/28/65

SUBJECT: b7C HAROLD WALLACE TOTTEN, SR.  
SSA, 1948

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DATE 2/27/01 BY SP3ALM/ldj

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Rerep of SA [redacted] at Dallas, 9/28/65,  
captioned "HAROLD WALLACE TOTTEN, SR., aka; IS - CUBA", Bufile  
100-431876).

HAROLD WALLACE TOTTEN, SR. is the subject of a current  
investigation entitled, "HAROLD WALLACE TOTTEN", SR., aka; IS - CUBA  
and is presently being recommended for ~~inclusion~~ in the Special Cuban  
Section of the Security Index, Dallas Office. TOTTEN is President  
and General Manager of Washington Iron Works, Incorporated, Sherman,  
Texas and resides at 204 West Texas Avenue, Sherman.

[redacted] mentioned below in this letter. is  
[redacted] aka; IS - CUBA". OO-DALLAS. Bufile 105-127972. Dallas  
file 105-1642. [redacted] HAROLD  
WALLACE TOTTEN, SR., [redacted] Washington Iron Works,  
Incorporated, Sherman, Texas. [redacted] TOTTEN has  
both been under investigation during 1964 and 1965 in connection with  
pro-Cuban activities.

Recent information developed in the TOTTEN investigation  
identified above, set forth in rerep of SA [redacted] summarized  
as follows:

[redacted]  
Sherman, Texas, appeared at the induction station, Dallas, Texas,  
8/4/65 for pre-induction physical examination, exhibiting two pieces  
of communist literature. He was rejected because he failed the  
mental test. The officer at the induction station who interviewed  
[redacted] claimed not to oppose to being  
inducted and claimed not to believe in communism although gave no

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particular reason why he had the communist literature with him. He quoted [redacted] however as stating that day that he is opposed to action of the U.S. in Viet Nam and believes the U.S. is not justified in its action there. He said that if he should be sent to Viet Nam, he would fight for the Viet Cong. [redacted] acted somewhat like he did not understand wholly what was in the communist leaflet.

[redacted]

Records of the Sherman, Texas High School reflect [redacted] graduated from that school on 5/20/64 as 301st in a class of 336 students. The principal of that school described him as a poor student although so far as he knew a loyal American of good character. He identified [redacted]

[redacted]

[redacted] Sherman, Texas (who requested his identity be protected) has been utilized as an established source in the IS - CUBA investigations concerning TOTTEN [redacted] He continues to be of value in those two investigations and his identity has been protected in all instances up to the present time. The information furnished by him in instant matter was furnished in confidence and therefore he cannot be utilized as a witness in any criminal action. It is to be further noted [redacted]

[redacted]

[redacted] furnished information that HAROLD WALLACE TOTTEN, SR. and [redacted] in about July, 1965, made a three-day trip to New York City and immediately after returning, TOTTEN began stating that they had found out how to keep "the boys" out of military service. There are about three employees of Washington Iron Works, Incorporated presently within the draft age, one being [redacted] Denison, Texas. TOTTEN further remarked that they had found out that registering opposition to action of the U.S. for its position in Viet Nam and stating that

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the person being inducted would defect to the other side if sent to Viet Nam, would result in their not being accepted in military service. He said a person's belief that the U.S. is not justified in its position in Viet Nam would be justification for a person not being sent to Viet Nam.

[redacted] overheard TOTTEN tell [redacted] identified above, during the last week of August, 1965, not to say TOTTEN had told him to say a certain thing if asked. Thereafter [redacted] told [redacted] what TOTTEN's conversation with him had been. [redacted] told [redacted] TOTTEN told him how he could keep out of going to Viet Nam in the military service. He said TOTTEN told him he should express disapproval of the U.S. position in Viet Nam and to state that he would fight for the opposite side if sent there. [redacted] did not state whether he had any plans to follow that course of action. [redacted] stated [redacted] has not been ordered for induction yet, has been married three weeks, but probably will be ordered for induction before long. [redacted] was said to be a man about [redacted] years of age. TEXAS

[redacted] was also told by [redacted] at Washington Iron Works, Incorporated, Sherman, in August, 1965 that [redacted] had recently been to the induction station at Dallas to be inducted. He said he took along a copy of "Peking Review", a Chinese-communist publication and the officer then asked him why he was reading such material and whether he was a communist. [redacted] told [redacted] that [redacted] claimed that he is not a communist but that if he was inducted he would become one. [redacted] does not know specifically whether TOTTEN has counselled [redacted] regarding avoiding military service. [redacted] specifically requested that [redacted] name not be utilized in any reports because [redacted] has no knowledge that [redacted] has told anyone else at Washington Iron Works concerning that incident. [redacted] conversation with [redacted] occurred on about the day following [redacted] appearance at the induction station at Dallas (August 4, 1965).



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No information has been developed that TOTTEN has counselled, aided, or abetted anyone already in the armed forces. It appears however TOTTEN might be in violation of the Selective Service Act, 1948 for his alleged comments to [redacted] and possibly similar comments to other employees of his business establishment, identities presently unknown. Possibility exists he may have counselled [redacted] mentioned, although this is not presently specifically known.

To present, investigation concerning TOTTEN has been conducted only in his IS-CUBA case and no active investigation has been conducted toward establishing a violation of the Selective Service Act, 1948. Bureau's attention is directed to TOTTEN's hostile attitude toward the FBI as reflected in the report of SA [redacted] 2/9/65, at Dallas (Bufile 100-431876). That report reflects an attempted interview with TOTTEN and with [redacted] in early 1965. It is noted TOTTEN was interviewed on 9/30/59 by Special Agents of the FBI concerning SCURRILOUS and untrue statements which TOTTEN allegedly had made concerning the Director of the FBI. Results of that interview are shown in Dallas airtel to Bureau, 9/30/59 in the TOTTEN file.

Bureau on 2/3/65 instructed the Dallas Office to make no future efforts toward interviewing TOTTEN [redacted] Dallas therefore contemplates no interview with subject TOTTEN concerning captioned matter UACB.

If the Bureau should instruct that investigation be conducted concerning captioned matter, Bureau is requested to authorize interview [redacted]

Dallas file reflects no previous derogatory data concerning [redacted]

This letter is submitted for the Bureau's information and no investigation under instant caption will be conducted UACB.

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TITLE OF CASE <b>HAROLD WALLACE TOTTEN, SR., aka</b>		REPORT MADE BY [REDACTED]	TYPED BY <b>GCS</b>
ALL INFORMATION CONTAINED HEREIN IS UNCLASSIFIED EXCEPT WHERE SHOWN OTHERWISE.		CHARACTER OF CASE <b>IS - CUBA</b>	

REFERENCES: Report of SA [REDACTED] 2/9/65 at Dallas.  
Bureau letter to Dallas, 8/25/65.

## LEADS:

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AT DALLAS AND SHERMAN, TEXAS. Report any pertinent information received from established sources concerning subject.

Await Bureau approval concerning subject's inclusion in the Security Index.

## INFORMANTS:

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Confidential informants, familiar with some Communist Party activities in Texas, contacted in September, 1965 are identified as follows:

[redacted] contacted 9/13/65 by SA [redacted]

ADMINISTRATIVE:

Three copies are designated for Dallas since subject is being recommended for the Security Index and in order that sufficient copies will be available in the event the Bureau at a later date instructs that additional dissemination be made.

[redacted]  
[redacted] addressed to FBI, Washington, D.C. to (S) the Department of State, Department of Justice, Bureau of International Commerce, and the three military intelligence agencies. [redacted]

It is noted this appears to be a restriction upon dissemination of data attributed to [redacted] in instant report with dissemination being authorized only to the specifically named agencies.

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Secret Service was not one of the agencies named. No copies of instant report therefore are designated for Secret Service. No local dissemination is being made by Dallas to any of the authorized agencies mentioned above. Any dissemination is left to the Bureau's discretion.

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It is to be noted Secret Service, Dallas, has previously been furnished information concerning subject in Letterhead Memoranda dated 12/20/63 and 8/19/64 which reflect all pertinent information that is necessary for Secret Service to possess up to the present time. For the Bureau's information, however, if the Bureau approves subject for inclusion in the Security Index as recommended, copies of all reports prepared hereafter concerning subject will be disseminated to Secret Service locally UACB.

Instant report is classified "~~Secret~~" because the data contained in this report attributed to [redacted] has been classified "Secret" [redacted] (S)

In accord with instructions set forth in Bureau letter to Dallas 8/25/65, FD-122 is being submitted recommending subject for inclusion in the Cuban Special Section of the Security Index.

[redacted] on 9/17/65 in addition to the data set forth in FD-302 in instant report, advised SA [redacted] that the individual who commented in his presence concerning [redacted] trip to Dallas (August 4, 1965), which comments were made on the day following (August 5, 1965) [redacted] trip to Dallas was [redacted] at Washington Iron Works, Incorporated, Sherman. [redacted] is also an employee of that firm in [redacted] [redacted] specifically requested that [redacted] name not be used if possible because informant believes informant may have been the only person [redacted] told about this matter. If [redacted] should be interviewed at any future time, no reference should be made to him that he had given this information to anyone.

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Interview with [redacted] August 4, 1965  
was by Investigative Clerk [redacted] That interview is  
contained on FD-302, the original of which is located in DL 100-11164.

Dallas Office indices reflect no information identifiable  
with [redacted] Investigation.  
however, [redacted]  
of the case (closed) entitled, [redacted] aka IS - CUBA",  
Dallas OO, Bufile 105-127972, Dallas file 105-1642.

No further investigation is contemplated in instant case  
at the present time except to await the Bureau's approval concerning  
placing subject on the Security Index. It is contemplated that the  
Bureau may desire investigation concerning subject TOTTEN be conducted  
regarding the possible violation of the Selective Service Act, 1948.  
By separate communication to the Bureau, details concerning TOTTEN's  
possible violation of the Selective Service Act, 1948 through counselling  
persons regarding evasion of military service were furnished.

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In Reply, Please Refer to  
File No.

Chief  
United States Secret Service  
Department of the Treasury  
Washington, D. C. 20220

WASHINGTON, D.C. 20535  
October 19, 1965

Re: HAROLD WALLACE TOTTEN, SR.  
INTERNAL SECURITY - CUBA

(Report of SA [redacted]  
Dallas, Texas, dated 9/28/65, and photo-  
graph. Other data previously furnished  
concerning this person.)

The information furnished herewith concerns an individual who is believed to be covered by the agreement between the FBI and Secret Service concerning Presidential protection, and to fall within the category or categories checked.

1. ☐ Has attempted or threatened bodily harm to any government official or employee, including foreign government officials residing in or planning an imminent visit to the U. S., because of his official status.
2. ☐ Has attempted or threatened to redress a grievance against any public official by other than legal means.
3. ☒ Because of background is potentially dangerous; or has been identified as member or participant in communist movement; or has been under active investigation as member of other group or organization inimical to U. S.
4. ☐ U. S. citizens or residents who defect from the U. S. to countries in the Soviet or Chinese Communist blocs and return.
5. ☒ Subversives, ultrarightists, racists and fascists who meet one or more of the following criteria:
  - (a) ☐ Evidence of emotional instability (including unstable residence and employment record) or irrational or suicidal behavior;
  - (b) ☐ Expressions of strong or violent anti-U. S. sentiment;
  - (c) ☒ Prior acts (including arrests or convictions) or conduct or statements indicating a propensity for violence and antipathy toward good order and government.
6. ☐ Individuals involved in illegal bombing or illegal bomb-making.

Photograph ☐ has been furnished ☒ enclosed ☐ is not available  
☐ may be available through \_\_\_\_\_

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover  
Director

1 - Special Agent in Charge (Enclosure(s)-3  
U. S. Secret Service, Dallas (RM)

Enclosure(s)-2

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Date: 9/28/65

Office: DALLAS

Field Office File No.: 105-817

Bureau File No.: 100-431876

Title: HAROLD WALLACE TOTTEN, SR.

Character: INTERNAL SECURITY - CUBA

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Synopsis: Subject resides at 204 West Texas Avenue, Sherman, Texas, and is employed as president and general manager for Washington Iron Works, Inc., 318 E. Lamar, Sherman, Texas.

[redacted] Subject (S)  
in about July, 1965 [redacted] made a trip to New York City and upon return to Sherman, Texas, stated that they had learned how to keep "the boys" out of military service, namely by opposing U.S. action in Viet Nam and threatening to defect to the other side if accepted into military service. Subject in August, 1965 reportedly advised one of his employees of draft age concerning that alleged method of keeping out of military service. On 8/4/65 [redacted]

[redacted] appeared at induction station, Dallas, Texas, possessing two pieces of communist literature and expressed opposition to U.S. action in Viet Nam. He claimed he had no objection to being inducted; that he does not believe in communism but if sent to Viet Nam would fight for the Viet Cong. [redacted] was rejected at induction station for failing to pass mental test.

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Date 9/27/65

[redacted] advised HAROLD W. TOTTEN, SR. of 204 West Texas Avenue, Sherman, Texas is President and General Manager, Washington Iron Works, Incorporated, 318 East Lamar, Sherman, Texas.

Informant stated he has no knowledge TOTTEN has made any trips out of the United States since about April, 1964 when he made a trip to Mexico, purpose unknown. Informant has no knowledge of any connections between TOTTEN and representatives of any foreign country and he has no knowledge that TOTTEN is engaged in any activities detrimental to the United States. Informant has no knowledge TOTTEN is contemplating any further business transactions or other activities in any foreign country.

Informant advised that in about July, 1965 TOTTEN, accompanied by [redacted] Washington Iron Works, Incorporated, Sherman, Texas) went to New York City, apparently by airline, and returned to Sherman, Texas on the third day after they left. The purpose of their trip there is unknown to informant but informant recalled that immediately after they returned, TOTTEN began telling some of the employees at Washington Iron Works that "they" had found out how to keep "the boys" out of military service. TOTTEN said that if a person about to be inducted into military service expressed their opposition to action of the United States in Viet Nam and claimed the war is not justified, said if they were sent to Viet Nam they would defect to the other side, this would result in the person not being accepted for military service.

Informant recalled that an employee of Washington Iron Works, Incorporated, Sherman, one day in early August, 1965 stated in informant's presence, that [redacted] Washington Iron Works, Incorporated) on the previous day went to the induction station at Dallas, Texas for the purpose of taking a physical examination for induction. [redacted] allegedly went there, taking along a copy of "Peking Review", a Chinese communist publication. The officer at the induction station allegedly asked [redacted] why he was reading such material and whether he is a communist. [redacted] allegedly told the officer at the induction station that he is not a

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by S/ [redacted] /gcs ~~SECRET~~ Date dictated 9/23/65

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communist, but if he is inducted, he would become one. [redacted] allegedly was rejected from military service at the induction station, reason unknown.

Informant advised that "Peking Review" is a Chinese communist publication that HAROLD W. TOTTEN, SR. subscribes to by mail under the assumed name of JOHN F. BRINKS, Rural Route, Denison, Texas. Informant in the past has observed copies of that publication which TOTTEN had received.

Informant stated during the last week of August, 1965, HAROLD W. TOTTEN, SR. was overheard telling one of his employees, [redacted] who is of draft age, that [redacted] if asked by anyone, should not state that he had been told "to tell this". The meaning of that remark was not immediately understood by informant but one or two days later [redacted] stated that HAROLD W. TOTTEN, SR. had told him that the way to not be taken into the military service and sent to Viet Nam was to express opposition to U.S. action in Viet Nam and to threaten to defect to the other side if sent there. From the above remark overheard said by TOTTEN and from [redacted] comments, informant knew TOTTEN had counselled [redacted] as to how to avoid military service in Viet Nam. Informant stated [redacted] has not yet been ordered for induction, has been married for three weeks, and has not given any indication whether he intends to follow TOTTEN's suggestions. Informant advised [redacted] is described as follows:

Race	White
Sex	Male
Age	[redacted]
Height	5'7"
Weight	155-160 pounds
Complexion	Ruddy
Hair	Blond (crewcut)
Occupation	[redacted] Washington Iron Works, Incorporated Sherman, Texas
Residence	Denison, Texas (street address unknown)

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Physical description of informant is as follows:

	[redacted] as furnished by [redacted]
Race	White
Sex	Male
Age	[redacted]
Height	5' 11"
Weight	150 pounds
Hair	Blond
Build	Slender
Marital status	Single
Occupation	Unknown
Selective Service	Registered with a local draft board at Sherman, Texas
Father	[redacted] Sherman, Texas

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Informant has no knowledge TOTEN has counselled any individual already in the armed forces with regards to avoiding military service.

Informant believes there are only about three persons employed by Washington Iron Works who are currently within the draft age, one of whom is [redacted]. He stated [redacted] is not an employee of Washington Iron Works, Incorporated. Informant has no specific knowledge that TOTEN has spoken to anyone other than [redacted] concerning matter of avoiding military service.

Informant suspected TOTEN's thinking may have influenced [redacted] to take the action he did at the induction station in August, 1965; but informant has no specific knowledge that TOTEN counselled [redacted] in that regard.

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[ ] in July, 1963 advised  
"Peking Review" is a pro-Chinese  
communist magazine published in  
the English language in Peking,  
China.

[ ] U.S. Navy, Armed Forces  
Examining and Entrance Station, 1200 Jackson Street, Dallas,  
Texas, on August 4, 1965 reported that [ ]

[ ] appeared that  
day at that station for his pre-induction physical examination as  
ordered by his local draft board. His Selective Service Number is  
[ ] His address was given [ ]  
He possessed two pieces of communist literature which Lieutenant  
[ ] identified as "Peking Review" dated July 30, 1965, published  
at Peking, China and "New Times" dated July 28, 1965, published at  
Moscow, Russia.

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[redacted] U.S. Navy, Armed Forces Examining and Entrance Station, 1200 Jackson Street, Dallas, Texas, [redacted] a registrant of Local Draft Board #53, Sherman, Texas, appeared in his station on August 4, 1965 for his pre-induction physical examination as ordered by that draft board. He had in his possession two pieces of communist literature, the names of which [redacted] did not recall but he stated he identified them on August 4, 1965 when he reported that matter to the FBI.

[redacted] was interviewed by him at that time. [redacted] gave some conflicting answers to some of the questions asked but as best [redacted] stated he did not believe in communism; that he does not object to being inducted into military service; but that he does not believe the United States has any right being involved in the situation in Viet Nam and therefore he believed he was justified in objecting to being sent in military service to Viet Nam. [redacted] further stated that if he is sent to Viet Nam, he would fight for the Viet Cong.

[redacted] acted as if he did not fully understand what was contained in the communist literature he had in his possession and did not give an explanation why he had brought it along. As best [redacted] claimed he had received the literature through the mail.

[redacted] was not fingerprinted and was not accepted for military service. He stated [redacted] was rejected because he did not pass the mental test. He said [redacted] possession of communist literature had no effect upon his being rejected. He said he had received no information from [redacted] that would indicate [redacted] had been counselled by anyone with regard to actions he should take upon arriving at the induction station.

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by SA [redacted] /gcs ~~SECRET~~ Date dictated 9/23/65

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"New Times", according to "The Guide To Subversive Organizations and Publications" issued by the House Committee on Un-American Activities, Washington, D.C., has been cited as an "internationally circulated communist publication" published in Moscow. "Its purpose is obviously to guide the policy of communist party throughout the world. Its predecessors were the War and the Working Classes, World News and Views, and Inprecorr."

Confidential informants, familiar with some Communist Party activities in Texas, in September, 1965, advised [redacted] HAROLD WALLACE TOTTEN, SR. [redacted] unknown to them; that they have no knowledge these persons have ever engaged in any Communist Party activities.

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ENCLOSURE TO BUREAU: 2 photos of HAROLD WALLACE TOTTEN

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**Director, FBI (100-431876)**

**HAROLD WALLACE TOTTEN, SR., aka  
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**Rerep SA [redacted] dated 9/28/65.**

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Upon receipt of amended pages, Bureau will take action  
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# Memorandum

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (100-431876)

DATE: 12/3/65

FROM : SAC, DALLAS (105-817) (C)

SUBJECT: HAROLD WALLACE TOTTEN, SR., aka  
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Re report of SA [redacted] dated 9/28/65,  
at Dallas.

Established sources of the Dallas Office have  
provided no additional pertinent information concerning  
subject.

Review of the file reflects no additional investigation  
is warranted at this time.

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ReBuairtel to Dallas dated 10/13/65.

Nine copies each of amended pages 1 and 2 of report of SA [redacted] Dallas, 9/28/65, are enclosed herewith. Also enclosed are two copies of FD-376 dated 10/19/65 and two photographs of subject (April, 1960).

Dallas Office is disseminating two copies of SA [redacted] report, described above (containing amended pages 1 and 2) and one photograph of subject to Secret Service, Dallas.

Amended pages 1 and 2 of SA [redacted] report have been inserted in the Dallas copies of this report.

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At Dallas, Texas: Will await Bureau approval for placing subject on the Security Index.

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Confidential informants, familiar with some Communist Party activities in North Texas, mentioned in instant report, are identified as follows:

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[redacted] contacted 9/19/66 and [redacted] contacted 9/12/66,  
both by SA [redacted]

ADMINISTRATIVE

Dallas Office indices reflect no pertinent information not previously included in appropriate communications for dissemination. No pertinent information has been received concerning subject during the past year except that shown in instant report.

Attempt was made on 9/22/66 by SA [redacted]  
[redacted] Sherman,  
Texas, who has previously reported concerning activities of  
subject. It was ascertained from one of his neighbors that  
he no longer resides at Sherman and now lives [redacted]  
This indicates he is no longer employed by subject. No further  
effort is being made to contact [redacted]

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4. ☒ A suitable photograph ☒ is ☐ is not available.
5. ☐ Subject is employed in a key facility and \_\_\_\_\_ is charged with security responsibility. Interested agencies are \_\_\_\_\_.
6. ☐ This report is classified \_\_\_\_\_ because (state reason)

Not classified

7. ☐ Subject previously interviewed (dates) \_\_\_\_\_.
- ☒ Subject was not reinterviewed because (state reason) \_\_\_\_\_.

He was interviewed on 1/28/65 at which time he was uncooperative and hostile. Further effort at this time to interview him does not appear warranted. Also, Bureau, on 2/3/65, instructed the Dallas Office to make no further effort to interview subject.

8. ☐ This case no longer meets the Security Index criteria and a letter has been directed to the Bureau recommending cancellation of the Security Index card.
9. ☒ This case has been re-evaluated in the light of the Security Index criteria and it continues to fall within such criteria because (state reason) \_\_\_\_\_

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 HE WAS CONSIDERED BY \_\_\_\_\_ SHERMAN, TEXAS, AS OF 1/20/65

10. ☒ Subject's SI card ☐ is ☒ is not tabbed Detcom.
- ☐ Subject's activities warrant Detcom tabbing because (state reasons) \_\_\_\_\_

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE  
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION  
Dallas, Texas  
September 30, 1966

WASHINGTON, D.C. 20535

In Reply, Please Refer to  
File No.

Chief  
United States Secret Service  
Department of the Treasury  
Washington, D. C. 20220

RE: HAROLD WALLACE TOTTEN, SR.  
INTERNAL SECURITY - CUBA  
(Report of SA [redacted] at  
b7C Dallas dated September 30, 1966.  
Other data previously furnished  
concerning this person.)

Dear Sir:

The information furnished herewith concerns an individual who is believed to be covered by the agreement between the FBI and Secret Service concerning Presidential protection, and to fall within the category or categories checked.

1. ☐ Has attempted or threatened bodily harm to any government official or employee, including foreign government officials residing in or planning an imminent visit to the U. S., because of his official status.
2. ☐ Has attempted or threatened to redress a grievance against any public official by other than legal means.
3. ☒ Because of background is potentially dangerous; or has been identified as member or participant in communist movement; or has been under active investigation as member of other group or organization inimical to U. S.
4. ☐ U. S. citizens or residents who defect from the U. S. to countries in the Soviet or Chinese Communist blocs and return.
5. ☒ Subversives, ultrarightists, racists and fascists who meet one or more of the following criteria:
  - (a) ☐ Evidence of emotional instability (including unstable residence and employment record) or irrational or suicidal behavior;
  - (b) ☐ Expressions of strong or violent anti-U. S. sentiment;
  - (c) ☒ Prior acts (including arrests or convictions) or conduct or statements indicating a propensity for violence and antipathy toward good order and government.
6. ☐ Individuals involved in illegal bombing or illegal bomb-making.

Photograph ☒ has been furnished ☐ enclosed ☐ is not available  
☐ may be available through \_\_\_\_\_

Very truly yours,

  
John Edgar Hoover  
Director

1 - Special Agent in Charge (Enclosure(s) 2)  
U. S. Secret Service, Dallas (RM)

Enclosure(s) 1

(Upon removal of classified enclosures, if any, this transmittal form becomes UNCLASSIFIED.)

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

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Copy to: 2 - Secret Service, Dallas, Texas. (RM)

Report of: [REDACTED]  
Date: 9/30/66

Office: DALLAS

Field Office File No.: 105-817

Bureau File No.: 100-431876

Title: HAROLD WALLACE TOTTEN, SR.

ALL INFORMATION CONTAINED  
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DATE 4/27/01 BY SP7AM/kyj

Character: INTERNAL SECURITY - CUBA

Synopsis: Subject resides at 204 West Texas Avenue, Sherman, Texas, and continues employment by Washington Iron Works, Inc., 318 East Lamar, Sherman, Texas. Confidential informant, familiar with some Communist Party activities in North Texas in September, 1966, advised subject is unknown to them.

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DETAILS:

BACKGROUND

RESIDENCE AND EMPLOYMENT

[REDACTED] on September 22, 1966 advised subject continues to reside at 204 West Texas Avenue, Sherman, Texas, and continues employment in an executive capacity by Washington Iron Works, Inc., 318 East Lamar, Sherman. He advised he has no information that would have any bearing upon subject's loyalty to the United States.

MISCELLANEOUS

[REDACTED] Sherman, Texas, on September 22, 1966, advised SA [REDACTED] that subject, 204 West Texas Avenue, Sherman, has been known to that agency for several years and was last checked in 1963. In 1957, he was a co-owner of Washington Iron Works, Inc., Sherman. No derogatory data appeared except his credit record was reported slow by some creditors in the 1930's and in 1950 a lumber company reported his account past due. No information appeared that has any bearing upon subject's loyalty to the United States.



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**CONNECTIONS WITH THE COMMUNIST PARTY OR  
OTHER BASIC REVOLUTIONARY GROUPS AND/OR FRONT ORGANIZATIONS**

Confidential informants, who are familiar with some Communist Party activities in North Texas, in September of 1968, advised subject is unknown to them.



In Reply, Please Refer to  
File No.

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE  
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Dallas, Texas  
September 30, 1966

Title HAROLD WALLACE TOTTEN, SR.

Character INTERNAL SECURITY - CUBA

Reference Report of Special Agent [redacted]  
[redacted] at Dallas, Texas, dated  
b7C September 30, 1966.

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are concealed in referenced communication have furnished reliable  
information in the past.

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conclusions of the FBI. It is the property of the  
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Memorandum

If no main file exists or subject has not previously been considered for Security Index, information in Bureau files concerning subject should be reviewed and necessary investigation, if any, should be initiated. Particular reference should be made to Section 87D, pages 44-47, Manual of Instructions, pertaining to consideration of subjects for Security Index and Section 105G, Manual of Instructions, pertaining to disaffection of United States citizens.

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DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

United States Government  
MEMORANDUM~~SECRET~~To: Director  
Federal Bureau of Investigation

Date: DEC 23, 1966

From: Assistant Attorney General  
Internal Security DivisionCard U.T.D.  
12/30/66  
WHL

Subject: INDEX REVIEW

Re: HAROLD WALLACE TOTTEN, Jr.

*File in* FBI No. 100-431876  
 CC: 100-398030  
 Reports of investigation have been reviewed as requested

by you on \_\_\_\_\_.

It has been determined that indexing of this case for future  
 review should be

☒ continued☐ discontinued

Commentary: "Cuba" list

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cc: FBI  
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TITLE OF CASE  <b>HAROLD WALLACE TOTTEN, SR. aka</b>		REPORT MADE BY  [REDACTED]	TYPED BY  <b>pw</b>
		CHARACTER OF CASE  <b>IS - CU</b>	

REFERENCE: Report of SA [REDACTED] dated 9/30/66 at Dallas.

ENCLOSURES

TO BUREAU [REDACTED]

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DECLASSIFY ON: [REDACTED]

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Two copies of FD-376 dated 9/29/67.

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Confidential informants, familiar with some Communist Party activities in North Texas, mentioned in instant report, are identified as follows:

[redacted] contacted 9/19/67, by SA [redacted]  
[redacted]

ADMINISTRATIVE

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Date photograph was taken \_\_\_\_\_.
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6. ☐ This report is classified \_\_\_\_\_ because  
(state reason)

**Not classified**

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- ☒ Subject was not reinterviewed because (state reason) **he was interviewed on 1/28/65, at which time he was uncooperative and hostile. Further effort at this time to interview him does not appear warranted. Also, Bureau, on 2/3/65, instructed the Dallas Office to make no further effort to interview subject.**

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(state reason) [REDACTED]

- [REDACTED] he was considered by (S)  
[REDACTED] Sherman, Texas, as of 1/28/65, to be a
10. ☒ Subject's SI card ☐ is ☒ is not tabbed Detcom.
  - ☐ Subject's activities warrant Detcom tabbing because (state reasons)

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In Reply, Please Refer to  
 File No.

WASHINGTON, D.C. 20535  
 September 29, 1967

Director  
 United States Secret Service  
 Department of the Treasury  
 Washington, D. C. 20220

RE: **HAROLD WALLACE TOTTEN, SR.**  
**INTERNAL SECURITY - CUBA**  
**(Report of Special Agent**  
**[redacted] dated**  
**September 29, 1967, Dallas.**  
**Other data previously furnished.)**

Dear Sir:

The information furnished herewith concerns an individual who is believed to be covered by the agreement between the FBI and Secret Service concerning Presidential protection, and to fall within the category or categories checked.

1. ☐ Has attempted or threatened bodily harm to any government official or employee, including foreign government officials residing in or planning an imminent visit to the U. S., because of his official status.
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Very truly yours,

*J. Edgar Hoover*  
 John Edgar Hoover  
 Director

1 - Special Agent in Charge (Enclosure(s) **2**) (RM)  
 U. S. Secret Service  
 Dallas, Texas

Enclosure(s) **1**  
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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE  
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Copy to: 2 - Secret Service, Dallas (RM)

Report of:

Office: Dallas, Texas

Date:

9/29/67

Field Office File No.:

105-817

Bureau File No.:

100-431876

Title:

HAROLD WALLACE TOTTEN, SR.

Character:

INTERNAL SECURITY - CUBA

ALL INFORMATION CONTAINED  
HEREIN IS UNCLASSIFIED  
DATE 2/27/01 BY SPANK/j

Synopsis:

Subject resides at 204 West Texas Avenue, Sherman, Texas, and continues employment by Washington Iron Works, Inc., 318 East Lamar, Sherman, Texas. Confidential informants, familiar with some Communist Party activities in North Texas in September, 1967, advised subject is unknown to them.

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DETAILS:BACKGROUNDResidence and Employment

Subject continues to reside at 204 West Texas Avenue, Sherman, Texas, and continues employment as President and General Manager of Washington Iron Works, Inc., 318 East Lamar, Sherman.

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3/16/67 and 9/25/67)

As of January 28, 1966, and July 14, 1966, HAROLD W. TOTTEN, SR., continued to be President of Washington Iron Works, Inc., 318 East Lamar, Sherman, Texas. Other officers of that firm are HAROLD W. TOTTEN, JR., Vice President; Mrs. H. W. TOTTEN, SR., Secretary; and Mrs. H. W. TOTTEN, JR., Treasurer. This firm was described as a machine shop specializing in machining parts for heavy gasoline engines, carburetors and turbines

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with sales to contractors and heavy equipment companies. The company is a Texas corporation and has about 27 employees. No derogatory information was known to informant concerning HAROLD W. TOTTEN, SR.

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CONNECTIONS WITH THE COMMUNIST PARTY OR  
OTHER BASIC REVOLUTIONARY GROUPS  
AND/OR FRONT ORGANIZATIONS

Subject has been known to informant for many years, both being long-time Sherman, Texas, residents. Subject has a past reputation for peculiarities and for being an "oddball", but no recent information of a derogatory nature is known that would pertain to either his moral character or his loyalty to the United States. Informant has no knowledge of any recent international travel on the part of subject and no knowledge of any current affiliation with any subversive or extremist organizations.

[ ] 3/16/67 and 9/25/67)

Confidential informants, who are familiar with some Communist Party activities in North Texas, in September, 1967, advised subject is unknown to them.



In Reply, Please Refer to  
File No.

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Dallas, Texas  
September 29, 1967

Title HAROLD WALLACE TOTTEN, SR.

Character INTERNAL SECURITY - CUBA

Reference <sup>b7C</sup> Report of Special Agent  
[redacted] dated  
September 29, 1967, at  
Dallas, Texas.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

# Memorandum

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (100-431876)

DATE: 3/27/68

FROM : SAC, DALLAS (105-817) (C)

SUBJECT: HAROLD WALLACE TOTTEN, SR. aka  
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DATE 2/27/01 BY SP12/MLJ

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Re report of SA [redacted] dated 9/29/67  
at Dallas.

In response to Bureau airtel to Albany dated 2/8/68, captioned "SECURITY INVESTIGATIONS OF INDIVIDUALS," a re-evaluation of captioned individual has been made, taking into consideration this person's subversive activities, physical well-being and potential dangerousness. It is believed subject should be retained on the Security Index for the reasons stated on Cover Page C of referenced report.

Investigation on 3/12/68, verified that subject has not changed his residence address and employment from that stated in referenced report.

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Buy U.S. Savings Bonds Regularly on the Payroll Savings Plan

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

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*Memorandum*

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI

FROM : SAC, DALLAS (100-11451) (P)

SUBJECT: SHERMAN COMMITTEE OF CONCERN  
ABOUT VIETNAM, SHERMAN, TEXAS  
INFORMATION CONCERNING (IS)

DATE: 2/28/68

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Enclosed are 10 copies of a letterhead memorandum reflecting information pertaining to captioned anti-Vietnam war group. Investigation conducted at Sherman, Texas, was by SA [redacted] Contact with USA WILLIAM WAYNE JUSTICE, Tyler, Texas, was by SA [redacted]

Two copies of the enclosed letterhead memorandum are being furnished to U.S. Secret Service, Dallas, and MIG, Dallas. One copy is being furnished to OSI, Tinker AFB, Oklahoma; NISO, New Orleans; and USA, Tyler, Texas.

The enclosed letterhead memorandum is classified confidential because information attributed to [redacted] if disclosed, could compromise a confidential informant of continuing value which would be a detriment to internal security.

INFORMANTS

Identity of Source

File Where Located

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Enclosed letterhead memorandum, pages 2, 10 & 13  
Received by SA [redacted]

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2 - Dallas (2- 100-11451)  
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DATE FORW: 3/29/68

HOW FORW: [redacted]

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Identity of Source

File Where Located

Enclosed letterhead memorandum,  
page 10  
(Received by SA [redacted])

105-817-34, page 3; 74,  
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105-620-18, pages 1 and 7

Enclosed letterhead  
memorandum, pages 19 & 21  
(Received by SA [redacted])

Confidential informants familiar with some CP  
activities in the North Texas area, contacted in  
February, 1968, are identified as follows:

[redacted] contacted 2/21/68 by SA [redacted]

Enclosed letterhead memorandum contains some infor-  
mation pertaining to HAROLD W. TOTTEN, SR. [redacted]  
[redacted] They are identical with subjects of closed cases  
entitled "HAROLD WALLACE TOTTEN, SR., aka, IS - CUBA,"  
Bufile 100-431876, Dallas 105-817 (who is on the Security  
Index, Special Cuban Section) and [redacted]

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"aka, IS - C," Bufile 105-127979, Dallas file 105-1642.

For the Bureau's information, there is some additional information pertaining to HAROLD WALLACE TOTTEN, SR. that has not been included in TOTTEN's characterization in the enclosed letterhead memorandum. [redacted] (S)  
under the classification "~~SECRET~~ - No Foreign Dissemination" which is reported in report of SA [redacted] Dallas, dated 3/31/84, under TOTTEN's caption, Bufile 100-431876. [redacted]

[redacted]

For the Bureau's further information, there is a previously submitted Dallas letterhead memorandum dated 3/29/84, captioned [redacted] submitted by Dallas Airtel to Bureau dated 4/29/84, Bufile 105-127976, which contains [redacted] information that is classified (S) "~~SECRET~~ - No Foreign Dissemination" which is under restriction as to the agency to which it can be disseminated. This letterhead memorandum is being identified in the event the Bureau desires to disseminate that letterhead memorandum to some of the agencies [redacted] (S)

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Names appearing in the enclosed letterhead memorandum were checked against the Dallas indices and where pertinent, data concerning them was included in the enclosed letterhead memorandum.

Investigation to date has not established that captioned organization is under any subversive influence or is infiltrated by any members of a basic revolutionary organization. Hereafter, investigation concerning captioned matter will be solely toward knowing if it has any subversive influence within it and to know when any anti-Vietnam demonstrations are scheduled. Inasmuch as Dallas teletype to Bureau dated 2/23/68, advised the Bureau that a few members of captioned organization are planning a demonstration for 2/27/68, instant case is being kept pending.

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AT SHERMAN, TEXAS. Through established sources, follow and report by teletype and letterhead memorandum any anti-Vietnam demonstrations conducted by this organization.

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In Reply, Please Refer to  
File No.

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Dallas, Texas

February 28, 1968

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SHERMAN COMMITTEE OF CONCERN  
ABOUT VIETNAM, SHERMAN, TEXAS

The "Sherman Democrat, daily newspaper, Sherman, Texas, on September 19, 1967, contained an article entitled "AC-Based Organization Distributes War Data." It stated an organization composed of Austin College (Sherman, Texas) students and faculty members has begun distributing information on the war in Vietnam and offering information on alternatives to service in the Armed Forces. It stated that organization, not college sponsored, known as Sherman Committee of Concern About Vietnam (SCCV) was organized in April, 1966, on the Austin College campus but only became active recently. Kent Middleton, Chairman of that organization, and a senior sociology student from Dallas, Texas, was quoted as saying SCCV has 30 members, all from the Austin College community. Middleton also identified five of its members who are on the Austin College faculty as Dr. Richard J. Tappan, Dr. J. Lynn Mackey, Paul Franke, Donald Ratz and Miss Ruth Whiteside. Students serving as officers of the group were identified as Fred Alford, New York, New York; Vick Hines, Sulphur Springs, Texas; Mickey Pennington, Malvern, Arkansas; and Susan Fekety, Richardson, Texas. The article stated the position of SCCV is that the Vietnam war is immoral, unjust and impolitic. That newspaper the same day carried a notice in the form of an advertisement stating as follows:

"Think you can put yourself to better use outside the Army? See Mickey Pennington for draft counseling, SCCV."

b7c United States Attorney William Wayne Justice, Eastern District of Texas, Tyler, Texas, on October 6, 1967, advised he had received a telephone call from [redacted] who told him there had been set up at [redacted]

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Austin College, Sherman, a draft information center. She told him that so far as she knew, it was not resorting to any illegal methods.

The "Sherman Democrat" on October 8, 1967, contained an article "Draft Dodge Aid Goes Begging" by Linda Bouffard. It stated that draft counseling being offered by a group of Austin College students has drawn only a handful of people, is unpopular on the campus and might be illegal. Kent Middleton, Chairman of SCCV, was quoted as saying part of the group's purpose was to offer information to young men as "how to legally or illegally avoid the draft. We are not telling them to do it, but we have information about it." In answer to specific inquiry, Middleton told Linda Bouffard that the draft counseling being offered consisted of listing the opportunities under the law to avoid military service and giving mailing addresses of peace groups which produced literature. Anyone asking, he said, is told that one can accept a student or occupational deferment, apply as a noncombatant or conscientious objector, examine the Surgeon General's list of physical handicaps which would exempt a person from military service, delay service by joining the Peace Corps, or as a last resort immigrate to another country such as Canada. He further stated that his group was trying to obtain more literature and under the material mentioned was the Rag, publication of Students for a Democratic Society (SDS) (characterization of which appears in the appendix) at the University of Texas, Austin, Texas. He added further that to the present time only a handful of persons had come to committee members seeking draft counseling, probably about five.

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[redacted] Local Draft Board 53, Sherman, Texas, on October 9, 1967, advised [redacted] who has furnished reliable information in the past, on about October 4, 1967, furnished to that draft board three pieces of literature which had been distributed by three individuals, one being [redacted] Student Union Building, Austin College, on about October 4, 1967. That literature is shown as follows:

## THE DRAFT LAW AND YOUR CHOICES

"Tools of Peace"  
Series

FRIENDS PEACE COMMITTEE (Quakers)

1520 Race Street, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania 19102

they know that a strong armed force is necessary to maintain peace until the causes of war are removed. They choose the *combatant* position.

Few who choose this position feel that the killing and destruction which are a part of war are good, or right, but they do feel that in the present circumstances military force is the only way in which to preserve justice and maintain peace. War may be wrong, they say, but it would be irresponsible to fail to resist aggressive governments by every available means. In short, war is the "lesser evil."

Congress has established the Selective Service System as an expedient way to provide manpower. A person can meet his obligation under the draft law by two years of active duty in the Armed Forces, or by taking part in one of several reserve programs. For further information see your draft board or local recruiting office.



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Many individuals accept the necessity of military force, but have conscientious scruples against taking another man's life. They are willing to relieve the suffering of wounded men, friend or foe.

Some men are often able to maintain their conscientious beliefs as they perform the duties required of them by the government, but have experienced difficulty.

These C.O.'s, called *noncombatants*, are classified 1-A-0 by Selective Service and are trained for medical service duty. 1-A-0's are assigned to other duties, such as office work, military band, which do not involve the use of weapons.



### 1-O POSITION

Another group, *alternative service men*, acknowledges an obligation to perform a period of socially useful service under civilian direction. They are opposed to both combatant and non-combatant duty.

The draft law provides that these C.O.'s shall perform an equal period of civilian service "... contributing to the maintenance of the national health, safety, or interest."

Many of these C.O.'s serve as attendants in hospitals. Some are employed by governmental or social welfare agencies in the U.S.; others serve overseas. C.O.'s who perform this type of service are able to make a significant contribution to their country while fulfilling the requirements of the draft law.



### NONCOOPERATION

Objectors in the third group who feel they cannot comply with the draft law at all are called *non-cooperators*. Some object because cooperation with the draft law would be participation in the military system. Others deny the right of the government to make choices for the individual. They refuse to accept either civilian or military assignment.

There is no exemption in the draft law for *non-cooperators*. They face a maximum penalty of \$10,000 fine and/or five years in prison, though sentences tend to be less than the maximum. Men failing to secure their desired C.O. classification, and refusing the assignment given them, face the same penalties.

The non-cooperator can find numerous opportunities for creative service with fellow-prisoners—in recreational work, education, letter writing and fellowship.



Registration card is filled out by the draft board chairman, identification, occupation, marital status, etc. The registrant signs it. You can register with the local draft board, and your registration will be sent to the board having jurisdiction over your permanent address. (You do not register as a C.O.; you become one at the time of classification.)

Several weeks or months (varying with different draftboards and the need for draftees) the board will fill Classification Questionnaire, SSS Form 100. It is divided into 13 series of questions.

Series VIII provides the first opportunity to ask for consideration as a C.O. Section 6-1 of the draft act states that no person (shall) be subject to training and service in the armed forces . . . so, by reason of religious training and belief, is conscientiously opposed to participation in war . . . If you are a C.O., sign Series VIII, requesting a board send you the Special Form for Conscientious Objectors (SSS Form 150). The completed form must be postmarked within ten days of the date mailed by the board. The board is obligated to send this form, complete, clear, concise, and thoughtful answers to questions in this form.

If you have returned Form 100 (and Form 150 if it is filed), you will be eventually classified and given notice of your classification.

If you have already filed Form 100 without signing Series VIII, you may receive Form 150 on request at your local board at any time you decide you are objector to war.

The board must classify you in the lowest classification which you are eligible. 1-A is the highest.

#### 1-A-Available for military duty.

1-B-C.O. available for noncombatant duty.

1-C-C.O. available for civilian alternative service.

1-D-High school student or college student ordered to report for induction but deferred to complete school year.

1-E-Qualified for military or alternative service only because of war or national emergency.

2-A-Deferred for essential civilian work.

2-B-Deferred for essential agricultural work.

2-C-Deferred for college or graduate study.

2-D-Member of military reserve unit or student taking military training.

2-E-Dependency deferment.

2-F-Minister or ministerial student.

2-G-Not qualified for any service.

2-H-Over age.

2-I-C.O. performing civilian work.

If you are denied the classification you seek, you have the right of personal appearance and of appeal. Consult competent counselor immediately. Your appeal must be made within ten days.

A common error is the assumption that conscientious objectors must be members of the Brethren, Friends (Quakers), or Mennonite faiths to receive recognition. Actually, C.O.'s came from more than 230 religious groups during World War II. Selective Service has long recognized C.O.'s who belong to no religious body.

The draft law recognizes conscientious objection based on religious training and belief which includes belief in a relation to a Supreme Being involving duties superior to those arising from any human relation. C.O.'s with widely divergent beliefs have been recognized. A 1965 U.S. Supreme Court decision broadened the concept of Supreme Being to include a supreme concept or central belief. Some young men are strongly opposed to unjust war, but are not sure they oppose "war in any form" as the law also requires. Such men need expert counseling and advice. Before assuming that your C.O. views will not be recognized by Selective Service, consult a C.O. counseling agency.

Only you can decide whether you are an objector to war, and the basis of your objection. Some draft boards are quite liberal in their interpretations. Do not assume that you do not qualify.

#### RELIGIOUS AFFILIATION

Conscientious objectors are recognized and supported by practically all religious bodies, including Jewish, Catholic, Protestant and others.

**CATHOLIC:** Many statements have been made in various forms. The bishops of the Church assembled in the Second Vatican Council have been particularly clear on the issue of the conscientious objectors.

"It seems right that laws make human provisions for those who for reasons of conscience refuse to bear arms, provided, however, that they agree to serve the human community in some other way."

—Council Fathers, Second Vatican Council, Constitution of the Church in the Modern World (Sec. 79)

**JEWISH:** "The Central Conference of American Rabbis reaffirms its conviction that conscientious objection to military service is in accordance with the highest interpretation of Judaism . . ." (1936).

The Rabbinical Assembly of America, said in 1940 and reaffirmed in 1948, " . . . the genuine conscientious objector is doing a great service to humanity in his protest against the perilous assumption that as citizens we must participate in war as a normal part of our civic obligation."

**PROTESTANT:** Among Protestants, the largest inter-denominational body is the WORLD COUNCIL OF CHURCHES, with 209 member denominations. In 1948, the First Assembly of this body recognized C.O.'s when it delineated three attitudes on war:

- (1) There are those who hold that, even though entering a war may be a Christian's duty in particular circumstances, modern warfare, with its mass destruction, can never be an act of justice.
- (2) There are those who hold that, in the absence of impartial supranational institutions, military action is the ultimate sanction of the rule of law, and that citizens must be distinctly taught that it is their duty to defend the law by force if necessary.
- (3) Others, again, refuse military service of all kinds, convinced that an absolute witness against war, and for peace, is for them the will of God, and they desire that the Church should speak to the same effect.

**MOST DENOMINATIONS** such as Methodists, Presbyterians and Baptists have statements pointing out the evils of war, and statements supporting their C.O.'s. For the statement of your denomination, see your pastor or write your denominational headquarters.

#### UNAFFILIATED OR NON-RELIGIOUS

Many C.O.'s are not affiliated with any church or do not consider themselves to be "religious" in any traditional sense. Their conscientious objection to war is just as valid as the objection of a person who considers himself religious. The clearly stated position of an agnostic sincerely opposed to all war meets the legal requirements. It is best to state what you do believe and not what you do not believe.

are important to most young men considering the draft. Start early, before you are pressed for time. Seek help from community resources such as pastors, teachers, and draft counselors. Talk over your position with your parents and friends.

Those considering a conscientious objector position will need to go beyond the ordinary community resources. The law assumes you are familiar with draft requirements, rights and procedures. Do not take anything for granted. Feel free to take your draft problems to one of the national C.O. counseling agencies. Their staffs keep up with changes in procedure and their services are free to all who apply.

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**NATIONAL SERVICE BOARD FOR RELIGIOUS OBJECTORS**

Washington Bldg., 15th and New York Avenue, N.W., Washington, D. C. 20003

**RELIGIOUS BODIES**

—If you are a Protestant, ask your minister about your denomination's Peace Fellowship;

—If you are a Catholic, write

The Catholic Peace Fellowship  
5 Beekman St., New York, N.Y. 10038.

—If you are a member of the Jewish faith, write

Jewish Peace Fellowship  
Box 271, Nyack, N.Y. 10960.

**OTHER ORGANIZATIONS**

which do counseling, produce publications and carry on activities of interest to C.O.'s:

—Fellowship of Reconciliation, P. O. Box 271, Nyack, N. Y. 10960

—War Resisters League, 5 Beekman St., New York, N. Y. 10038

—American Friends Service Committee, 160 N. 15th St., Philadelphia, Pa. 19102, or any of the 22 AFSC offices throughout the country.

may be obtained from the following sources:

**Handbook for Conscientious Objectors.** Central Committee for Conscientious Objectors. The only thorough treatment available of C.O. problems in relation to the draft law. Includes helpful chapters on thinking through the basis for conscientious objection; C.O. provisions and procedures; the C.O. in the Armed Forces; and the C. O. in court and prison. Includes a selected and annotated bibliography on conscientious objection—\$1.

**News Notes.** Central Committee for Conscientious Objectors. Monthly publication with good coverage of legal difficulties of objectors, changes in the law and regulations, and problems of the C.O. in the Armed Forces. Sent free upon request.

**The Reporter.** National Service Board for Religious Objectors. Monthly publication with good coverage of objector news on laws, regulations, court cases, classification problems, church agency activity in conscientious objector problems and the civilian work program. Subscription, \$1.00 a year.

**Statements of Religious Bodies on the Conscientious Objector.** National Service Board for Religious Objectors. Compilation of statements by more than 50 religious bodies, with name of person of agency in each group that can furnish additional information.

This pamphlet is generally regarded as the most authoritative of its kind. It is concise, but sufficiently inclusive.

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# The Military Selective Service Act of 1967

This page is intended to indicate the changes in the draft law in such a way that it can be used to update the current edition of the HANDBOOK FOR CONSCIENTIOUS OBJECTORS. The HANDBOOK cannot be revised until new regulations are drafted and issued, SSS forms are revised as National Selective Service considers appropriate, and new instructions, if any, are given local boards and state appeal boards.

## Conscientious objection

Section 6(j) now reads: "Nothing contained in this title shall be construed to require any person to be subject to combatant training and service in the armed forces of the United States who, by reason of religious training and belief, is conscientiously opposed to participation in war in any form. As used in this subsection, the term 'religious training and belief' does not include essentially political, sociological, or philosophical views, or a merely personal moral code. Any person claiming exemption from combatant training and service because of such conscientious objections whose claim is sustained by the local board shall, if he is inducted into the armed forces under this title, be assigned to noncombatant service as defined by the President, or shall, if he is found to be conscientiously opposed to participation in such noncombatant service, in lieu of such induction, be ordered by his local board, subject to such regulations as the President may prescribe, to perform for a period equal to the period prescribed in section 4(b) such civilian work contributing to the maintenance of the national health, safety, or interest as the local board pursuant to Presidential regulations may deem appropriate and any such person who knowingly fails or neglects to obey any such order from his local board shall be deemed, for the purposes of section 12 of this title, to have knowingly failed or neglected to perform a duty required of him under this title."

Eliminated is the "Supreme Being clause." Although Congress meant to restrict the variety of COs gaining recognition, COs with "Seeger-type" beliefs should apply in exactly the same manner as before.

Eliminated is the referral by state appeal boards to the Department of Justice for an advisory opinion. That part of the HANDBOOK dealing with the non-criminal FBI investigation, its resume, the Department of Justice Hearing, the Department of Justice advisory recommendation to the state appeal board, and the registrants response

applies only to the 3100 registrants whose files were in the hands of the Department of Justice prior to July 1, 1967. These will be completed in the usual way, presumably, although Congress asked that all be done by July 1, 1968.

COs whose claims were filed under the old law and are appealed under the new law have a point of defense in being denied the Department of Justice referral. Those who appealed under the old law but were denied under the new law, without referral, have an even better point.

Now that a CO claim is processed in exactly the same manner as a claim to any other classification, the personal appearance, (including an effort to get a witness admitted), supporting letters from references, and an effective appeal are more important than ever.

COs should request appointments with government appeal agents attached to local boards, especially if suggested by the boards. Seek advice on how to strengthen your claim, and try to convince him of your sincerity. Record the interview carefully for inclusion in your selective service file. If his advice is good it will help you with regard to selective service. If it is bad, it may help you win your case in court.

## DEFERMENTS—STUDENTS

The II-S student deferment must be given those who meet the criteria until they obtain the baccalaureate degree, fail to pursue satisfactorily a full-time course of study, or become 24 years of age, whichever comes first.

The deferment *must* be requested, must be substantiated by a SSS #109 form from the college or university, and "normal progress" toward a degree—at least since July 1st, 1967, must be evident.

The II-S must now be for the 12 month period following the beginning of his academic year. It may be granted for one year to students beginning graduate studies this fall, or for a total of five years to students who had previously begun graduate studies under the old regulations.

The I-S is available only to undergraduates, in order to permit them to complete the academic year despite the receipt of an order to report for induction.

Statutory III-A dependency deferments are not available to registrants who are classified II-S after July 1. III-A extreme hardship deferments are available if one qualifies otherwise.

For full details obtain the new student deferment memo from CCO. Single copies free on request.

#### DEFERMENTS—OCCUPATIONAL (II-A)

Under the new provisions II-A is mandatory for those in, or preparing for, skills and essential occupations vital to the national health, safety or interest. These skills and occupations will be listed by the National Director of Selective Service on advice of the National Security Council.

Until such a list is issued, local boards are continuing to exercise discretion.

#### Points to remember

- Women are no longer excluded from local and appeal board membership.
- Government appeal agents can be members of the active reserves.
- One has 30 days in which

to request a personal appearance or to appeal, but still only 10 days in which to return forms, including SSS#150.

- Assignment to the Public Health Service can be used as a substitute for military service only if assignment is to the Coast Guard, Environmental Science Service, or the Bureau of Prisons.
- Courts are instructed to give precedence to draft cases; to go to court a CO must have refused (or accepted) induction.
- The Department of Justice shall expedite prosecution of Selective Service violators, or "shall advise the House of Representatives and the Senate in writing the reasons for its failure to do so."
- Local board clerks are now to be called "executive secretaries," and shall serve only ten years unless reappointed.
- Membership of local and appeal boards cannot exceed 25 years, nor can a member be over 75 years of age (Alas, this does not apply to State and National Selective Service Directors).
- Aliens liable under the "doctors' draft" who enter the U.S. after 26 years of age will be drafted, to age 35.

To keep up to date be sure to receive NEWS NOTES regularly. Free on request.

#### Central Committee For Conscientious Objectors

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# Individuals Against the Crime of Silence

**A Declaration To Our Fellow Citizens Of The United States, To The Peoples Of The World, And To Future Generations:**

**1** We are appalled and angered by the conduct of our country in Vietnam.

**2** In the name of liberty, we have unleashed the awesome arsenal of the greatest military power in the world upon a small agricultural nation, killing, burning and mutilating its people. In the name of peace, we are creating a desert. In the name of security, we are inviting world conflagration.

**3** We, the signers of this declaration, believe this war to be immoral. We believe it to be illegal. We must oppose it.

**4** At Nuremberg, after World War II, we tried, convicted and executed men for the crime of OBEYING their government, when that government demanded of them crimes against humanity. Millions more, who were not tried, were still guilty of THE CRIME OF SILENCE.

**5** We have a commitment to the laws and principles we carefully forged in the AMERICAN CONSTITUTION, at the NUREMBERG TRIALS, and in the UNITED NATIONS CHARTER. And our own deep democratic traditions and our dedication to the ideal of human decency among men demand that we speak out.

**We Therefore wish to declare our names to the office of the Secretary General of the United Nations, both as permanent witness to our opposition to the war in Vietnam and as a demonstration that the conscience of America is not dead.**

On September 23, 1965, a Memorandum of Law was incorporated in the Congressional Record of the 89th Congress of the United States of America, in which eighty leading American attorneys, after careful analysis of our position and actions in the Vietnam War, came to the conclusion that we are violating the following accords: The Charter of the United Nations, The Geneva Accords of 1954, the United States Constitution.

**To Protest -- To Object -- To Dissent** has long been an American tradition. The following are a few among the many who have signed this declaration to be on permanent record.

ABE AJAY  
JAMES BALDWIN  
PATRICK J. E. DAMBERGER, M.D., O.G.S.D.  
DANIEL DEBRIGAN, S.J.  
REV. PHILLIP BERRIGAN, S.B.J.  
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LOUIS UNTERMEYER  
DICK VAN DYKE  
ROBERT VAUGHN  
DR. MAURICE H. WALSH  
DR. HARVEY WHEELER  
A. L. WIRIN, ESQ.



I wish to sign my name to the above Declaration to the United Nations and want to go on record with this Declaration of the Individuals Against the Crime of Silence.

signature

For clarity, also print your name after your signature

address

date

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Sign, complete and mail to P.O. Box 80000, Los Angeles, Calif. 90008. The office of the Individuals Against the Crime of Silence will then forward the information to the United Nations.

Should you also wish to support additional publications and communications, send \$1 or more in cash or by check made payable to Individuals Against the Crime of Silence. This donation entitles you to the lapel emblem and the wallet-sized registration card. Money is needed to speed our progress.

The strength of our numbers will regularly and effectively be made known. Your signature does have power.

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[redacted] U.S. Air Force Recruiting Office, Sherman, on October 9, 1967, advised that he opened a recruiting booth on September 29, 1967, for one day at the Student Union Building, Austin College, and at the same time another booth was set up just across from his at which occupants passed out literature which he recalled had been prepared by a "Quaker" group. He recalled that one of those active at that booth in passing out anti-Vietnam war literature was [redacted] Austin College. As of October 9, 1967, the booth from which such literature had been passed out had been removed.

[redacted] on October 19, 1967, stated he understood that [redacted] SCCV had told [redacted] SCCV was no longer involved in or active in any type of draft counseling whatever; that SCCV's sole interest and effort was stopping the war in Vietnam.

[redacted] who has furnished reliable information in the past, on October 26, 1967, stated he recently received information that Harold Totten, owner of Washington Iron Works, Sherman, Texas, was then being visited regularly at Totten's place of employment by some students from Austin College who were connected with SCCV.

[redacted] on October 26, 1967, reported that SCCV had scheduled a meeting for October 27, 1967, in the Student Union Building, Austin College, Sherman, for the purpose of trying to obtain a charter to operate as a campus organization. Informant made available copies of three items that were being distributed by SCCV which items are described as follows:

One-page leaflet entitled Young Peoples Draft/War Survey which urged persons of draft age to sign that sheet acknowledging that they believed the Vietnam war is unjust and immoral and that they should not be forced to fight in it, mailing same to The Fellowship of Reconciliation, Box 271, Nyack, New York, 10960.

Vietnam Newsletter, October, 1967 issue, which reflects it is published by SCCV with its editors being C. Fred Alford and Mickey Pennington.

A mimeographed letter addressed 'Dear Friends' dated October 22, 1967, from Kent Middleton, announcing that SCCV plans to meet at 7:00 p.m. on the first Tuesday of each month; that he regretted the article that appeared in the "Sherman Democrat" on October 8, 1967, about SCCV's draft counseling

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activities; and that this letter was the first issue of a newsletter of that organization that was to be distributed. Middleton's letter stated this newsletter was printed on an off-set press in Sherman through the generosity of Mr. Buckner and Totten of Sherman who contacted "us" after the initial article about SCCV appeared in the "Sherman Democrat" on September 24, 1967. Plans were that the newsletter would be published monthly, distributed on the campus, and in addition it would be mailed to Sherman leaders, [redacted] Mr. Totten giving copies to acquaintances of theirs and to employees at Washington Iron Works. That newsletter enclosed another sheet containing a "Position Statement" which is as follows:

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The Sherman Committee Concern about Vietnam does not view opposition to the war that the United States is waging in Vietnam as necessarily implying opposition to the draft or to service in the armed forces of the United States. We do understand how these connections can be made, however, since the United States is using its great military might not for self-defense but for an unjustified imposition of its will on another country. We are therefore sympathetic to those who refuse to accept the draft; to those who apply as conscientious objectors to war; to those in the armed forces who decide they want out; and to those groups which actively encourage and aid such action.

Such has been the view of the Committee from its inception. Because of it, we have in the past advertised alternatives to the draft and offered counseling to persons wishing to apply as conscientious objectors or wanting to avoid or resist the draft. We have stated our desire to let each individual make his own choice about his course of action while encouraging application as a conscientious objector, refusal to serve on the grounds that the Vietnam war is unjust and needless, or noncooperation. In addition, we have stated our intent to extend aid to those in the armed forces who decide they want out. (See "The United States in Vietnam: Cause for Sorrow," Position Statement of the Sherman Committee of Concern about Vietnam, adopted September 12, 1967.)

Unfortunately, these activities and statements have resulted in misunderstandings arising about our motivations and purposes. Explaining that we do not view them as unpatriotic or extraneous to ending the Vietnam war has required much time and effort and is likely to continue to do so. Therefore, as a practical matter of priorities, we have decided to refrain from actively offering as a group any information, encouragement, or aid on alternatives to the draft or on alternatives to continued service in the armed forces. We wish to avoid opposition to such action obscuring our central purpose.

We do urge every person to examine critically the meanings of patriotism and duty to one's country; the various types of contributions that one can make to his country and to the world; the responsibilities of an individual and a nation as members of the world community; and the justifiable uses of military force in the present age. We will make information about alternatives to the draft and continued service in the armed forces available upon request and attempt to place such information in local libraries. We certainly remain sympathetic to those who refuse to accept the draft; to those who apply as conscientious objectors to war; and to those in the armed forces who decide they want out. As for those in the armed forces who refuse to be sent to Vietnam, we will give them all the aid and support that we can.

(Adopted October 20, 1967.)

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[ ] on November 27, 1967, advised SCCV became an official organization of Austin College when it was granted a charter on November 18, 1967. He made available a copy of three sheets of a mimeographed leaflet entitled Committee Charter which is shown as follows:

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**PURPOSE:** To work for an end to the use of military force by the United States in Vietnam, as specified in the Statement of Purpose adopted by those who formed the Committee in April, 1967, which declares,

We no longer wish to stand by quiet, inactive and uninvolved, for to do nothing is to condone present policy. We choose to organize ourselves to act out of our convictions and within the American democratic tradition to:

1. inform and influence campus and community opinion about our concerns for this war, and provide a forum for debate and discussion;
2. work to make peace and foreign policy issues in American politics in elections at all levels;
3. explore concrete means to alleviate physical suffering of all non-combatants.

The members of the Committee believe their purpose to be within the aims of Austin College and its underlying philosophy of providing educational experiences that focus on the pursuit of truth wherever that pursuit may lead. The existence of the Committee, its members feel is a response to the educational challenge to relate existence to the values and goals that make sense, and to develop the moral courage that demands responsible involvement in the challenges and issues of the world.

**OFFICERS:** Chairman, secretary-treasurer, information director, educational director, and political director. These, plus as many other persons as the membership deems fit, compose the Steering Committee.

**ELECTION OF OFFICERS:** The membership elects the officers from among the voting members in May. A slate of officers is nominated by a committee appointed by the chairman, but nominations may come from the floor.

**MEETING TIME:** Regular meetings of the Committee are presently scheduled for 7:00 p.m. on the first Tuesday of each month. Other meetings are called as needed. There is no officially designated meeting place. Meetings of the Steering Committee are called only as needed.

**REQUIREMENTS FOR MEMBERSHIP:**

**Voting members:** Students, faculty members, and staff members of Austin College who oppose the continued use of military force by the United States in Vietnam may become voting members of the Committee upon request.

**Non-voting affiliate members:** Persons holding the same view as voting members who are not connected with Austin College may become non-voting affiliate members of the Committee upon request and Committee approval. Prior to October 30, 1967, voting membership was open to all persons giving assent to the Position Statement of the Committee.

**FINANCIAL SUPPORT:** The Committee has no dues. A contribution of \$2.50 is presently being suggested for each member for current funding. Additional contributions are welcomed. When funds run low, they will be solicited.



ADVANCE: (none)

**OFFICERS:**

Chairman ----- Kent Middleton  
Secretary-Treasurer ---- Sue Fekety  
Educational Director ---- Fred Alford  
Political Director ----- Michael Pennington  
Information Director ---- (vacant)

**MEMBERS:**

Munif Abu-Rish  
Fred Alford  
Kelly Breazeale  
Lang Casebier  
Rex Downing  
Scott Downing  
David Dowty  
Tim Drake  
Tom Evans  
Sue Fekety  
Bill Forbes  
Mark Fox  
Paul Franke *faculty*  
Richard Hinds *faculty*  
Vick Hines  
Lowell Jones  
Don Henderson  
Tim Lewis  
John Mackey *faculty*  
Mark Mays  
Roy Melugin *faculty*  
Kent Middleton  
Michael Pennington  
Donald Ratz *faculty*  
Jane Ross  
Karol Smith  
Jeff Stewart  
Richard Tappa *faculty*  
Bob Webb  
Alfred Weisberg  
Ruth Whiteside *faculty*  
Sam Williams  
Rich Wood

**Affiliate Members of Sherman Committee of Concern  
About Vietnam**

Andrew G. Buckner - Hwy. 82 W., Sherman  
Billye Downing - 613 Walnut, Sherman  
H. W. Totten - P. O. Box 28, Sherman

#### **ACTIVITIES:**

The Committee engages in those educational and political activities which it sees as being instrumental to its purpose. The membership must approve all types of action in which the Committee engages, but specific actions within the general types already approved need not be taken to the membership.

#### **Present Activities Include:**

1. Sponsoring speakers
2. Holding discussions
3. Publishing newsletter
4. Sending news to newspapers
5. Circulating petitions
6. Writing political leaders and communications media
7. Sponsoring trips to hear speakers
8. Offering speakers to local groups
9. Distributing literature

The Committee has decided to abstain from any form of draft counseling. The Committee has no connection with any other organization.

**MEETING ROOM:** Not designated.



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[redacted] who has furnished reliable information in the past, on May 15, 1964, advised Harold W. Totten, Sr., is President and General Manager of Washington Iron Works Inc. 312 E. Lamar Sherman Texas and [redacted]

[redacted] several months previously made comments among employees at that plant that he believed Fidel Castro of Cuba and Nikita Krushchev of Russia were smart people. Harold W. Totten, Sr., according to informant, at that plant in recent months [redacted] expressed themselves by criticizing policies of the United States Government and expressed opposition to the United States blockade of Cuba. They also reportedly made remarks that they believed Castro knew what he was doing and the United States should leave him alone. Informant advised Totten in the past has been anti-Semitic in his sympathies and beliefs and claims to believe that Jews are taking over the United States because they "rule the money." Informant stated Totten receives newspapers and literature from time to time under the fictitious names of John R. Brinks and Thomas E. Edwards.

[redacted] on September 17, 1965, reported Harold W. Totten, Sr. [redacted] New York City in about July, 1965, and shortly after returning to Sherman, began telling some of the employees at Washington Iron Works that they had found out how to keep "the boys" out of military service. Totten stated to them that if a person about to be inducted expressed his opposition to action of the United States in Vietnam, claimed the war is not justified, and said he would defect to the other side if sent to Vietnam, all this would result in the person not being accepted into the military service. Informant further advised that [redacted]

[redacted] 1965 had been to the Armed Forces Induction Station at Dallas, Texas, for the purpose of taking a physical examination for induction and took with him to that station a copy of "Peking Review," a Chinese communist publication. Informant understood that Harold W. Totten, Sr., then was a subscriber to "Peking Review" under the fictitious name of John R. Brinks, Rural Route, Denison, Texas.

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[redacted] was contacted on January 28, 1965, by Special Agents, FBI, at his residence at [redacted] Sherman, for interview. He declined interview but had in his hand some mail he had just received from his outdoor mailbox. Of his own volition, he exhibited one of those items which he stated was received regularly containing a weekly Red China newspaper. That item was a newspaper addressed to him from [redacted] China Publications Center, P. O. Box 398, Peking, China." He volunteered that he also received "New Times," a weekly publication from Moscow, U.S.S.R. He said he receives these and other publications which he did not identify in order to keep informed, exact meaning not stated.

[redacted] who has furnished reliable information in the past, in August, 1963, advised [redacted] Sherman, Texas, had been contacted by a representative of [redacted] exporters and importers of books and periodicals in Peking, China. [redacted] in accordance with instructions from [redacted] forwarded to him a copy of "Peking Review" with a request he recommend this magazine to acquaintances in the United States who may be interested in subscribing to it.

[redacted] who has furnished reliable information in the past, in July, 1963, advised "Peking Review" is a pro-Chinese communist magazine published in the English language in Peking, China.

[redacted] Bells, Texas, on September 17, 1964, advised he being an employee of Washington Iron Works, Inc., Sherman, knew Harold Wallace Totten, Sr. president of that company, and [redacted] He stated Totten and [redacted] in recent years have been anti-Semitic and anti-Negro in their views and operations. He had no information either of them belonged to any particular organization. About two years previously he heard [redacted] express an opinion that Krushchev of Russia and Castro of Cuba were "good fellows" which was after Castro had taken over Cuba. He further remembered that two or three years previously Totten expressed a belief that Russia had a good form of government.

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U.S. Army Recruiting Office, Sherman, on December 4, 1967, furnished a leaflet that had been distributed in Sherman found on his automobile which advertised showing of a film entitled "Time of the Locust" by SCCV, on December 5, 1967.

contact with whom has been insufficient to judge reliability of his information, on December 4, 1967, furnished five leaflets that had been distributed in Sherman advertising the film "Time of the Locust" to be shown on December 5, 1967, by SCCV at the Student Union Building, Austin College, Sherman, Room 221. He also furnished a copy of the November, 1967, Vietnam Newsletter published by SCCV, Austin College, Sherman, Texas.

on December 5, 1967, volunteered information that a meeting of SCCV was held in the Student Union Building, Austin College, Room 221, on December 5, 1967, with about 25 or 30 persons present at which a film entitled "Time of the Locust" was shown. At the meeting, numerous pamphlets and leaflets were available for anyone present, some of which are identified as follows:

Pamphlets entitled "Do We Care About the Children of Vietnam?" issued by Fellowship of Reconciliation, Box 271, Nyack, New York.

Pamphlet entitled "Questions and Answers on Vietnam," published by National Committee for a Sane Nuclear Policy (SANE), New York, New York

Leaflet entitled "ABC's About Vietnam" prepared by Friends Peace Committee, reissued by Fellowship of Reconciliation, Nyack, New York

Leaflet entitled "What You Can Do About the Vietnam War," which is as follows:

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WHAT YOU CAN DO  
ABOUT ENDING THE VIETNAM WAR

Study your reasons for opposing the war.

Let your opinions be known whenever and wherever Vietnam is discussed.

Write letters, or better yet send telegrams, of support and criticism to political leaders and public media. Every one counts.

Vote for officials advocating peace.

Sign declarations espousing peace.

Participate in peace demonstrations and vigils.

Avoid the draft by joining a program such as the Peace Corps, the Ameri-  
can Voluntary Service, or American Friends Service where you are likely  
to be passed over, or else apply as a Conscientious Objector or refuse to  
serve in the military while the Vietnam war continues. Encourage others  
to do the same. Write The Central Committee for Conscientious Objectors,  
2006 Walnut St., Philadelphia, Pennsylvania 19103, for information or see  
John Kasey, 1020 N. Hark, Sherman, Texas.

Join a peace group, and give it your time, effort, and money.

YOU CAN MAKE A DIFFERENCE! WRITE FOR PEACE!

Sherman Committee of Concern About Vietnam, Austin College, Sherman, Texas

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[redacted] on January 18, 1968, furnished a mimeographed letter dated January 16, 1968, addressed "Dear Friends" from Kent Middleton, Mickey Pennington, and Fred Alford, which was in the form of a newsletter to SCCV members. Among other things, it stated Dr. Mackey had suggested SCCV needed to dramatize its concern over the Vietnam war in some manner. SCCV has previously discussed holding a vigil in downtown Sherman but had rejected the idea. The letter stated holding a vigil on the Austin College campus had not been seriously considered. The letter stated, however, a vigil combined with educational efforts could possibly be very forceful. The letter stated General Hugh Hester may be a speaker before SCCV in a few weeks. The letter indicated the possibility of a vigil being held at Austin College on January 26, 1968, but it was not specific that such a vigil actually would be held. The letter stated there are now 35 members. [redacted]

Confidential informants, familiar with some Communist Party (CP) activities in the North Texas area in February, 1968, advised they have no information that SCCV is infiltrated or under the influence of any current members of the CP or other basic revolutionary groups.

Files of the New York City Office of the FBI reflect no information identifiable with [redacted]. Files of the Little Rock, Arkansas, Office of the FBI reflect no pertinent information concerning [redacted] except that he as [redacted]

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APPENDIX

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STUDENTS FOR A DEMOCRATIC SOCIETY

The Students for a Democratic Society (SDS), as it is known today, came into being at a founding convention held at Port Huron, Michigan, in June, 1962. The SDS is an association of young people on the left and has a current program of protesting the draft, promoting a campaign for youth to develop a conscientious objector status, denouncing United States intervention in the war in Vietnam and to "radically transform" the university community, and provide for its complete control by students. Gus Hall, General Secretary, Communist Party, USA, when interviewed by a representative of United Press International in San Francisco, California, on May 14, 1965, described the SDS as a part of the "responsible left" which the Party has "going for us." At the June, 1965, SDS National Convention, an anticommunist Proviso was removed from the SDS constitution. In the October 7, 1966, issue of "New Left Notes," the official publication of SDS, an SDS spokesman stated that there are some communists in SDS and they are welcome. The national headquarters of this organization as of April 18, 1967, was located in Room 206, 1608 West Madison Street, Chicago, Illinois.

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TITLE OF CASE <b>HAROLD WALLACE TOTTEH, SR. aka</b>		REPORT MADE BY <b>[redacted]</b>	TYPED BY <b>tk</b>
ALL INFORMATION CONTAINED HEREIN IS UNCLASSIFIED EXCEPT WHERE SHOWN OTHERWISE.		CHARACTER OF CASE <b>IS - CU</b>	

**REFERENCES:** Report of SA **[redacted]** dated 8/29/67,  
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Confidential informants familiar with some CP activities in the North Texas area, contacted in October, 1968, are as follows:

[redacted] contacted 10/11/68, and [redacted] contacted 10/11/68, both by SA [redacted]

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1. ☒ Subject's name is included in the Security Index.
2. ☒ The data appearing on the Security Index card are current.
3. ☐ Changes on the Security Index card are necessary and Form FD-122 has been submitted to the Bureau.
4. ☒ A suitable photograph ☒ is ☐ is not available.  
Date photograph was taken \_\_\_\_\_.
5. ☐ Subject is employed in a key facility and \_\_\_\_\_ is charged with security responsibility. Interested agencies are \_\_\_\_\_.
6. ☐ This report is classified \_\_\_\_\_ because (state reason)

**Not classified**

7. ☐ Subject previously interviewed (dates) \_\_\_\_\_.
- ☒ Subject was not reinterviewed because (state reason) **he was interviewed on 1/28/65, at which time he was uncooperative and hostile. Further effort at this time to interview him does not appear warranted. Also, Bureau, on 2/3/65, instructed the Dallas Office to make no further effort to interview subject.**

8. ☐ This case no longer meets the Security Index criteria and a letter has been directed to the Bureau recommending cancellation of the Security Index card.
9. ☒ This case has been re-evaluated in the light of the Security Index criteria and it continues to fall within such criteria because (state reason) \_\_\_\_\_

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10. ☐ Subject's SI card ☐ is ☐ is not tabbed Detcom.
- ☐ Subject's activities warrant Detcom tabbing because (state reasons)

**This subject is on the Security Index Priority II.**

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE  
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WASHINGTON, D.C. 20535

October 30, 1968

In Reply, Please Refer to  
File No.

Director  
United States Secret Service  
Department of the Treasury  
Washington, D. C. 20220

RE: HAROLD WALLACE TOTTEN, SR.  
INTERNAL SECURITY - CUBA  
(Report of Special Agent

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dated

October 30, 1968, Dallas.

Other data previously furnished.)

Dear Sir:

The information furnished herewith concerns an individual who is believed to be covered by the agreement between the FBI and Secret Service concerning Presidential protection, and to fall within the category or categories checked.

1. ☐ Has attempted or threatened bodily harm to any government official or employee, including foreign government officials residing in or planning an imminent visit to the U. S., because of his official status.
2. ☐ Has attempted or threatened to redress a grievance against any public official by other than legal means.
3. ☒ Because of background is potentially dangerous; or has been identified as member or participant in communist movement; or has been under active investigation as member of other group or organization inimical to U. S.
4. ☐ U. S. citizens or residents who defect from the U. S. to countries in the Soviet or Chinese Communist blocs and return.
5. ☒ Subversives, ultrarightists, racists and fascists who meet one or more of the following criteria:
  - (a) ☐ Evidence of emotional instability (including unstable residence and employment record) or irrational or suicidal behavior;
  - (b) ☐ Expressions of strong or violent anti-U. S. sentiment;
  - (c) ☒ Prior acts (including arrests or convictions) or conduct or statements indicating a propensity for violence and antipathy toward good order and government.
6. ☐ Individuals involved in illegal bombing or illegal bomb-making.

Photograph ☒ has been furnished ☐ enclosed ☐ is not available  
☐ may be available through \_\_\_\_\_

Very truly yours,

*J. Edgar Hoover*  
John Edgar Hoover  
Director

1 - Special Agent in Charge (Enclosure(s) (2) (RM))  
U. S. Secret Service  
Dallas, Texas

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**UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE  
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION**

Copy to: 2 - Secret Service, Dallas, Texas, (RM)

Report of:  
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10/30/68

Office: DALLAS

Field Office File No.:

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Bureau File No.: 100-431876

Title:

HAROLD WALLACE TOTTEN, SR.

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Character:

INTERNAL SECURITY - CUBA

Synopsis:

Subject resides at 204 West Texas Avenue, Sherman, Texas, and continues employment by Washington Iron Works, Inc., 318 East Lamar, Sherman, Texas. Confidential informants familiar with some Communist Party activities in North Texas in October, 1968, advised subject is unknown to them. Subject, in October, 1967, reportedly was being contacted by some students from Austin College, Sherman, who were affiliated with Sherman Committee of Concern About Viet Nam (SCCV), a local group at Sherman that opposed the war in Viet Nam. Subject was listed in SCCV's charter as an affiliate member of that organization, although as of 1/16/68, he had been dropped from membership.

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DETAILS:BACKGROUNDRESIDENCE AND EMPLOYMENT

Subject continues to reside at 204 West Texas Avenue, Sherman, Texas, and continues employment as President and General Manager of Washington Iron Works, Inc., 318 East Lamar, Sherman.

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March 12, 1968,  
and August 16, 1968)

CONNECTIONS WITH THE COMMUNIST PARTY OR  
OTHER BASIC REVOLUTIONARY GROUPS AND/OR FRONT ORGANIZATIONS

Confidential informants who are familiar with some Communist Party activities in North Texas, in October of 1968, advised subject is unknown to them.

OTHER ACTIVITIES

Subject, an owner of Washington Iron Works, Inc., Sherman, as of October 26, 1967, was being visited regularly by some students from Austin College, Sherman, who were affiliated with Sherman Committee of Concern About Viet Nam (SCCV), a local group that oppose the Viet Nam war.

[redacted] October 26, 1967)

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The "Sherman Democrat" daily newspaper, Sherman, Texas, on September 19, 1967, in an article stated Sherman Committee of Concern About Viet Nam (SCCV) was organized in April, 1966, on the Austin College campus at Sherman, Texas; that students and faculty members in that organization had begun distributing information on the war in Viet Nam and offering information on alternatives to service in the Armed Forces. It identified KENT MIDDLETON as Chairman of that organization and among students serving as officers were FRED ALFORD, New York, New York, and MICKEY PENNINGTON, Malvern, Arkansas. It stated the position of SCCV is that the war in Viet Nam is immoral, unjust, and impolitic. [redacted] TEXAS

The "Sherman Democrat" daily newspaper, on October 8, 1967, contained an article stating draft counseling was being offered by a group of Austin College students. KENT MIDDLETON, SCCV Chairman, stated that part of the group's purpose is to offer information to young men on "how to legally or illegally avoid the draft." MIDDLETON stated draft counseling consisted of listing opportunities under the law to avoid military service and giving mailing

addresses of peace groups which produced literature. Anyone asking, he said, is told that one can accept a student or occupational deferment, apply as a noncombatant or conscientious objector, examine the Surgeon General's list of physical handicaps which would exempt a person from military service, delay service by joining the Peace Corps, or as a last resort immigrate to another country such as Canada. He further stated that his group was trying to obtain more literature and under the material mentioned was the Rag, publication of Students for a Democratic Society (SDS) (characterization of which appears in the appendix) at the University of Texas, Austin, Texas.

As of October 19, 1967, [redacted] had stated SCCV was no longer active in or involved in any type of draft counseling as SCCV's sole interest was not in stopping the war in Viet Nam. As of October 26, 1967, leaflets distributed by SCCV included the following:

Vietnam Newsletter, October, 1967, issue which reflects it was published by SCCV, with its editors being C. FRED ALFORD and MICKEY PENNINGTON.

A mimeographed letter dated October 22, 1967, addressed "Dear Friends" from KENT MIDDLETON announcing plans for weekly meetings of SCCV, stated, among other things, this letter was the first issue of a newsletter to be distributed. MIDDLETON's letter stated this newsletter was printed on off-set press in Sherman through the generosity of Mr. BUCKNER and TOTTEN of Sherman who contacted "us" after the article about SCCV appeared in the "Sherman Democrat" on September 24, 1967. [redacted] Plans were that the newsletter would be published monthly, distributed on the campus, and in addition it would be mailed to Sherman leaders [redacted] [redacted] Mr. TOTTEN giving copies to acquaintances or theirs and to employees at Washington Iron Works. That newsletter enclosed another sheet containing a "Position Statement" which is as follows:

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SCCV became an official organization of Austin College, Sherman, on November 18, 1967, when it was granted a charter. A three page mimeographed leaflet entitled "Committee Charter" furnished by this informant identified the officers of SCCV, listed thirty three (33) persons as members and as affiliate members.

It stated the committee had decided to abstain from any form of draft counseling; that the committee has no connection with any other

November 27, 1967)

[redacted] also known as [redacted] as of May, 1964, and September, 1965, was [redacted] employed by Washington Iron Works, Inc., Sherman, Texas. [redacted] prior to May, 1964, made comments among employees at Washington Iron Works, Inc., that he believed Fidel Castro of Cuba and Nikita Khrushchev of Russia were smart people. [redacted] and HAROLD W. TOTEN, SR, had expressed themselves by criticizing policies of the U. S. Government and opposing the U. S. blockade of Cuba; also that they believed CASTRO knew what he was doing and the U. S. should leave him alone. In about July, 1965, [redacted] and TOTEN returned to Sherman from a trip to New York City and began telling employees at Washington Iron Works, Inc., that they had found out how to keep "the boys" out of military service. TOTEN stated to them that if a person about to be inducted expressed his opposition to action of the United States in Vietnam, claimed the war is not justified, and said he would defect to the other side if sent to Vietnam, all this would result in the person not being accepted into the military service. Informant further advised that [redacted]

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Informant, in September, 1965, reported that HAROLD W. TOTTEN, SR., then was a subscriber to "Peking Review" under the fictitious name of JOHN R. BRINKS, Rural Route, Denison, Texas. Informant, in 1964, reported that TOTTEN had received newspapers and literature periodically under fictitious names including JOHN R. BRINKS.

[redacted] May 15, 1964, and  
September 17, 1965)

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A mimeographed letter dated January 16, 1968, addressed "Dear Friends" from KENT MIDDLETON, MICKEY PENNINGTON, and FRED ALFORD which was in the form of a newsletter to SCCV members stated, among other things, [redacted]

[redacted] January 18, 1968)

The Dallas Morning News daily newspaper, Dallas, Texas, on October 20, 28, 1967, contained letters to that newspaper from JOHN F. BRINKS, Denison, Texas, which are as follows:

## Vietnam

To the Dallas News:

For the sake of humanity, whether one be a dove or a hawk, grave consideration should be given to some pertinent issues regarding Vietnam.

Whose lives are we saving at a cost of over 100 young American lives a week and \$60 million a day, not to mention the thousands of Asian men, women and children burned, maimed and killed? Those far-off Asians are human beings too. Are this woman and countless other innocents in the name of freedom, our own personal liberties are diminishing at a rapid rate while the economic and moral structure of the country is on the verge of collapse.

JOHN F. BRINKS.

Rt. 3, Box 197, Carlson, Texas.

## Draft Composition

To the Dallas News:

Rep. Joe Pool of Dallas seems allergic to peace and apparently intends to use his congressional powers to punish all peace-loving young men. Whether we admit it or not the basic reason for the Vietnam War, like some of our other wars, is to keep big business profits on the upward trend. The moral issues are connected to sell the masses on war. Most of our young people know these facts and under such circumstances do not want to sacrifice their lives in the jungles of Asia.

For Rep. Pool's enlightenment, everyone who is opposed to the Vietnam War or does not agree with him is not a Communist or communist sympathizer.

JOHN F. BRINKS.

Carlson, Texas.





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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE  
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Dallas, Texas  
October 30, 1968

Title HAROLD WALLACE TOTTEN, SR.

Character INTERNAL SECURITY - CUBA

Reference Report of Special Agent [redacted]  
[redacted] at Dallas, Texas, dated  
b7C October 30, 1968

All sources (except any listed below) whose identities  
are concealed in referenced communication have furnished reliable  
information in the past.

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

# Memorandum

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI 9(100-431898)

FROM : SAC, DALLAS (105-817) (C)

SUBJECT: HAROLD WALLACE TOTTEN, SR., aka.  
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DATE: 4/10/69

Re report of SA [REDACTED], Dallas, dated 10/30/68.

On 4/7/69 an article appeared in the Sherman Democrat, a daily newspaper at Sherman, Texas, entitled "H. W. Totten Dies." This article reflected that HAROLD W. TOTTEN, SR., born 2/4/1900, in Sherman, Texas, president and general manager of Washington Iron Works, Sherman, since 1944, died on 4/6/69.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

# Memorandum

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI(100-431876) DATE: 4/29/69

FROM : SAC, DALLAS(105-817)(C)

SUBJECT: HAROLD WALLACE TOTTEN, SR., aka Security Index card cancelled  
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Re Dallas letter to Bureau dated 4/10/69, and  
Bureau Routing Slip to Dallas dated 4/18/69.

Enclosed for the Bureau are nine copies of an LHM  
regarding the death of the above subject on 4/6/69. Also  
enclosed for the Bureau are two copies of an FD-376 for  
dissemination to U.S. Secret Service, Washington, D.C.

Two copies of the LHM and one copy of FD-376  
are being disseminated locally to U.S. Secret Service, Dallas.

Dallas has destroyed the security index card for  
the subject per instructions set out in Manual of Instructions,  
Section 87-D, Page 60 and the Dallas Division is placing this  
case in a closed status.

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE  
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Dallas, Texas  
April 29, 1969

HAROLD WALLACE TOTTEN, SR.

Reference is made to previous communications regarding the subject from the Federal Bureau of Investigation and report of Special Agent [redacted] dated October 30, 1968, at Dallas, Texas.

On April 7, 1969, an article appeared in the Sherman Democrat, a daily newspaper published at Sherman, Texas. This article was entitled "H.W. Totten Dies". The article reflected that H.W. Totten, Sr., born February 4, 1900, at Sherman, Texas, who was president and general manager of the Washington Iron Works, Sherman, Texas, since 1944, died on April 6, 1969, in a hospital following a sudden illness.

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE  
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

April 29, 1969  
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20535

In Reply, Please Refer to  
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Director  
United States Secret Service  
Department of the Treasury  
Washington, D. C. 20220

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INTERNAL SECURITY - CUBA  
(Memo dated April 29, 1969,  
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2. ☐ Has attempted or threatened to redress a grievance against any public official by other than legal means.
3. ☒ Because of background is potentially dangerous; or has been identified as member or participant in communist movement; or has been under active investigation as member of other group or organization inimical to U. S.
4. ☐ U. S. citizens or residents who defect from the U. S. to countries in the Soviet or Chinese Communist blocs and return.
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6. ☐ Individuals involved in illegal bombing or illegal bomb-making.

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Very truly yours,

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